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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of

AMHERST, N.H.

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1979

Also

OFFICERS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

Year Ending June 30, 1979

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TOWN OFFICERS

Population - June, 1979 - 9500

Moderator  
M. A. Wight, Jr.

Selectmen

Bert H. McGill, Chairman

Thomas G. Grella, 1982 B. P. Smith, 1980  
Samuel Klein, 1980, Resigned Peter F. Wells, 1982  
Edward C. Masten, 1981 Barbara H. Landry, Secretary

Town Clerk  
Bernice G. Boothroyd, 1981

Tax Collector  
Barbara H. Landry, 1980

Treasurer  
Marion M. Sortevik, 1982

Town Counsel  
William R. Drescher

Health Officer  
Dr. James C. Starke

Welfare Officer  
Edward C. Masten

Zoning Administrator  
Russell Abbate

Building Inspector  
Douglas Guy

Road Agent  
Richard G. Crocker

Police Chief  
John T. Osborn, Jr.

Fire Chief  
Marshall D. Strickland

Fire Wards  
Marshall D. Strickland David Herlihy Richard G. Crocker

Custodian of Town Buildings  
Ernest Law

Recreation Director  
Charles "Pete" Houston

Supervisors of the Checklists

Audrey Spalding, 1980 Evelyn Sickler, 1980  
Constance George, 1982, Resigned Robert Wishart, 1984

Rescue Squad  
Gustav Just

Roy E. Maston, Dr. Civil Preparedness  
Harding C. Sortevik, Dep. Dr.

Trustee of Trust Funds  
David T. Ramsay, 1980 George W. Brown, 1981  
Raymond Woolson, 1982

Cemetery Trustees  
David T. Ramsay Harold Nazro Edward C. Masten

Library Trustees

Lucy Ramsay, 1980	E. Daniel Johnson, 1981
JoAnn Just, 1980	W. Ryland Cox, 1981
Wendy Stotz, 1980	Jean Sweeney, 1982
Frances Manning, 1982, Resigned	

Planning Board

James Schildneck, 1982	Robert Crouter, Chairman, 1981	Oliver Hayes, 1984
Scott Sutherland, 1980	Edward C. Masten, ex-officio	
Charles Tiedemann, 1980, Alternate	Douglas Kirkwood, 1983	
Marilyn Peterman, 1980, Alternate	Charles Vars, 1981	

Board of Adjustment

J. Clark Logan, Chairman, 1980	
Arnold Dickinson, 1982	John Bachman, 1983
Elliot Lyon, 1980	Norman Constant, 1984
Rosemary Daly, 1981, Resigned	

Road Commissioners

Stephan Duggan, 1981	Meric Arnold, 1980
Everett Leach, 1982	

Nashua Regional Planning Commission

Judy Hordon, 1980	Mark Leonardi, Alternate, Resigned
Martin Michaelis, 1981	M. A. Wight, Jr., Alternate

Conservation Commission

Thornton Stearns, 1982	Wallace Warren, 1980
Charles Tiedemann, 1980	Elisabeth Barrett, 1981
Elizabeth Gillespie, 1982	Richard Kitchen, 1981
William Goodwill, 1980	Weldon Bosworth, 1982, Resigned

Historic District Commission

Anna M. Jones, 1980	Robert Jackson, 1982
Peter Rotch, 1981	Robert Crouter, ef-officio
Thomas G. Grella, ex-officio	

Recreation Commission

Richard Newbert, Chairman, 1980	
Mary Sparks, 1981, Resigned	Sharla Kurz, 1981
Sally Harrington, 1982	James Agnew, 1981
Stephen Oaks, 1980	

Tree Committee

Howard Parkhurst, 1980	Barbara Berlack, 1981
Terry Mayo, 1982	

Independence Day Committee

Ann Bergin, Chairman

Memorial Day Committee

Peter Bergin, Chairman

Ways and Means Committee  
Thornton Jesdale, Chairman

Jane Olszewski  
Ronald Pomerleau  
Christy Belvin

Wilson Leatherman  
Kenneth Ritchie  
Pixie Lown

### Representatives to the General Court

M. A. Wight, Jr. Joanne Head David T. Ramsay

Member of the State Senate

Alan Rock

## Highway Safety Committee

John T. Osborn, Jr. - Chief of Police

Roy Masten - Civil Preparedness B. P. Smith - Selectman

Joseph H.S. Hoag, School Board Member

## Souhegan Regional Landfill District

William Marble, 1980 Ronald Stillman, 1982

## Mosquito Commission

Felix Herzka, 1983

Town Warrant

The State of New Hampshire

March 11, 1980

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Wilkins School

Voting on Article 1 through 3 will be at the polls.

Remaining articles will be considered at the meeting held at 9:00 a.m. March 15, 1980 at Middle School

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School on Boston Post Road, Village on Tuesday, the 11th day of March, 1980 at 7:00 a.m. for the choice of Town Officers elected by official ballot and such action required to be inserted on said official ballot (Articles 1 thru 3).

The polls will open on said date at 7:00 a.m. and will close not earlier than 7:00 p.m. in the evening.

You are hereby notified that the second session of the annual meeting of the Town of Amherst will be held at the Middle School on Cross Road, Amherst on Saturday March 15th, 1980 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning to act on those matters not to be voted on by official ballot (Articles 4 thru 25).

Article 1.

To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing terms.

Article 2.

To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes in the Zoning Maps and the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Amherst.

Amendment No. 1  
ZONING MAP

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance to correct the reference to the Flood Plain Map in Article II, Section 2-2, by inserting "and the Wetlands Conservation District Overlay," after the words "Flood Plain Conservation District Overlay."

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

By changing Article II, Section 2-2 by inserting "and the Wetlands Conservation District Overlay," after the words "Flood Plain Conservation District Overlay" so that the maps depicting zoning districts will be clearer.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 2  
BUILDING PERMITS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance by changing Article III, Section 3-7, Paragraph B. so that the last line of the same reads as follows:

"...approved under the provisions of Section 6-2, Paragraph E".  
and

Article III, Section 307, Paragraph C. so that the first line reads as follows:

"No Building Permit for a new dwelling..."

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

By changing Article III, Section 3-7, Paragraph B. by deleting from the last line of Paragraph B. the words "Paragraph D." and substituting therefor the words "Paragraph E." and deleting from the first line of Paragraph C. the word "certificate" and substituting therefor the words "Building Permit" thus correcting some erroneous reference in the current ordinance.

YES

NO

**Amendment No. 3**

**NORTHERN RURAL DISTRICT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance by changing Article IV, Section 4-5, Paragraph C.3. so that it reads as follows:

"Any accessory use housed in a separate building shall be set back at least thirty (30) feet from side and rear lot lines and at least thirty (30) feet from front lot line and not exceed fifteen (15) feet in height. This height requirement may be waived for farm structures."

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**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of the Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance?

By changing Article IV, Section 4-5, Paragraph C.3. by deleting from the second line of said paragraph the words "fifteen (15) feet" and substituting therefor the words "thirty (30) feet" thus increasing the setback requirement for accessory structures.

YES

NO

**Amendment No. 4**

**FLOOD PLAIN CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance by changing Article IV. Section 4-10; Paragraph A.2. so that it reads as follows:

"Uses permitted by Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment: Tennis courts, swimming pools, golf courses, and other recreational purposes.

Special exceptions for the undertaking of a use of land in the Flood Plain Conservation District may be granted by the Board of Adjustment if not in conflict with the purposes and intentions of Section 4-10, Paragraphs 1,2, and 3 (General).

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance?

By changing Article IV, Section 4-10, Paragraph A.2. so as to specify recreational uses which can be permitted in the Flood Plain Conservation District by special exception granted by the Board of Adjustment.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 5  
WETLAND CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance by inserting the following after the first sentence in Article IV, Section 4-11 (2) on page A-19.

"Conversely, in the event that an area not so designated has poorly drained or very poorly drained soils, within the meaning of the aforementioned definition, then the restriction contained in this Section shall apply. Such evidence may be obtained by adequate on-site soils investigation and analysis conducted by a soils scientist qualified in field analysis."

so that the entire paragraph 2. reads as follows:

"In the event an area is incorrectly designated as being poorly drained or very poorly drained soils on the Town of Amherst Wetland Conservation District Map and evidence to that effect is satisfactorily presented to the Building Inspector or Zoning Administrator, the restriction contained in this Section shall not apply. Conversely, in the event that an area not so designated has poorly drained or very poorly drained soils within the meaning of the aforementioned definition, then the restriction contained in this Section shall apply. Such evidence may be obtained by adequate on-site soils investigation and analysis conducted by a soils scientist qualified in field analysis.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance?

So that the properties in the Town which qualify as wetlands under the criteria established for the same but are not mapped as wetlands, will, in fact, be subject to the same restrictions as apply to the mapped wetlands.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 6  
WETLAND CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance with respect to Article IV, section 4-11, Paragraph A. Permitted Uses and effectuate the following change:

Paragraph 3. currently reads: Water impoundments and well supplies.  
Change to read: "Well and well lines."

Paragraph 4. currently reads: Drainage ways - Streams, creeks, or other paths of normal runoff water.

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 9. Subparagraph a. Add "Ponds" to the uses permitted by special exception by the Board of Adjustment in the Wetland Conservation District so that Subparagraph 9a now reads:

"Ponds, and streets, roads and other access ways and utility right-of-way easements including power lines and pipe lines if essential to the productive use of land and if so located and constructed as to minimize any detrimental impact of such uses on the wetlands."

and renumber paragraphs accordingly.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance which will remove the following two uses as permitted uses in the Wetland Conservation District:

1. Water impoundments.

2. Drainage ways - Streams, creeks, or other paths of normal runoff water.

so that water impoundments become a use requiring a variance, and ponds become a permitted use by special exception granted by the Board of Adjustment.

YES

NO

Amendment No. 7  
WETLAND CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance to change Article IV, Section 4-11, Paragraph A., subparagraph 9-b so that it reads as follows:

"b. The undertaking of a use which may include the erection of a structure, dredging, filling, drainage, or otherwise altering the surface configuration of the land, if it can be shown that such proposed use will not conflict with the purpose and intentions of Section 4-11 and if such proposed use is otherwise permitted by the zoning ordinance. Proper evidence to this effect shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Adjustment and shall be accompanied by the findings of a review by the Hillsborough County Conservation District of the environmental effects of such proposed use upon the wetlands in question and shall also be accompanied by an opinion from the Planning Board as to whether the proposed use conflicts with the purposes and intent of Section 4-11 and the reasons for their opinion."

**PALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance which would result in the new requirement that the Planning Board render an opinion as to the potential impact of a proposed use in the Wetland Conservation District on the environment prior to the Zoning Board of Adjustment's action on an application for such proposed use?

YES

NO

Amendment No. 8  
WATERSHED PROTECTION REGULATIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance to change Article IV, Section 4-12, Paragraph A., Page A-21 so that it reads as follows:

**"A. Permitted Uses**

Any of the following uses that do not result in the deterioration of the water quality in the watershed protection area shall be permitted:

1. Miscellaneous trimming, pruning, and thinning according to good forestry practices.
2. Tree farming and forestry according to practices approved by the County Forester.
3. Agriculture.
4. Wildlife refuge.
5. Uses permitted by Special Exception by the Board of Adjustment within the Watershed Protection Area:
  - a. Tennis courts, swimming pools, golf courses, and other recreational purposes.
  - b. Ponds, and streets, roads, and other access ways and utility rights-of-way easements including power lines and pipe lines if essential to the productive use of land and if so located and constructed as to minimize any detrimental impact of such uses upon the watershed protection area.
  - c. The undertaking of a use which may include the erection of a structure, dredging, filling, drainage, or otherwise altering

the surface configuration of the land, if it can be shown that such proposed use will not conflict with the purpose and intentions of Section 4-12 and if such proposed use is otherwise permitted by the zoning ordinance. Proper evidence to this effect shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Adjustment and shall be accompanied by the findings of a review by the Hillsborough County Conservation District and the Planning Board of the environmental effects of such proposed use upon the watershed protection area in question."

Former Permitted Use:

4. Ponds planned and executed under the direction of the USDA-SCS. deleted from the foregoing.

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance so that the regulation with respect to the watershed protection area will be modified so that ponds planned and executed under the direction of the USDA-SCS will be deleted, while recreational uses, ponds, roads, dredging, filling, draining or the erection of a structure may only be accomplished in the watershed protection area by way of a special exception granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment after a finding that the proposed use would not be harmful and other criteria have been met?

YES

NO

Amendment No. 9  
BUILDING PERMITS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance to add a second paragraph to Article VI, Section 6-2, paragraph A., Page A-26 to read as follows:

"No permits shall be issued to any lot upon which there is outstanding a recorded violation of the rules, regulations or ordinances of the Town of Amherst, excepting any permit required to correct such violation."

BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance so that the Building Inspector or the Zoning Administrator will be able to require compliance with the Town ordinances and laws by the withholding of permits on properties which have existing violations?

YES

NO

Amendment No. 10  
DEFINITIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the zoning ordinance to change Article IX, Section 9-1, Home Occupation to read as follows:

"An accessory use incidental and subordinate to the dwelling use, occupying no more than twenty percent of the gross floor area in the rural and northern rural districts and no more than ten percent of the gross floor area in the residential District, but not to exceed 600 square feet in any case, provided that such use would not change the residential character of the dwelling. A home occupation may employ not more than two non-residents. It may display a nonilluminated sign not to exceed six square feet in size, and utilize indoor storage of equipment or supplies in the dwelling or accessory buildings thereto. There shall be no emission of dust, fumes, smoke, noise or vibration across the lot line."

and

Section 9-1, Residential District Home Occupation to read as follows:  
Any use conducted entirely within a dwelling and carried on only by the occupants thereof, which use is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling for dwelling purposes and does not change the residential character thereof, and in connection with which there is no display, no sign, no outside storage of equipment, machinery or materials, and no outside persons are engaged in such home occupation, so long as said Residential District Home Occupation does not create a nuisance or traffic hazard and meets all other criteria applicable to special exceptions. A home occupation shall occupy no more than ten percent (10%) of the gross floor area of the dwelling, but not to exceed 600 square feet.

**BALLOT QUESTION TO READ:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town for the Town Zoning Ordinance by amending the ordinance so that the permissible area of a Home Occupation will not exceed 600 square feet, as opposed to earlier requirements which are based only upon the percentage of the overall area?

YES

NO

**Article 3. (By Petition)**

"Shall we (The Town of Amherst) adopt the provisions of RSA 654:34-a permitting applications for changes in party affiliation to be made with the Town Clerk?"

YES

NO

**Article 4.**

Plan 1.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$225,000) Two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars to construct a combined Police/Rescue/Civil Defense facility on Town Owned Land acquired for this purpose with the monies to be expended and financed as follows:

The sum of \$216,000 to be raised by the issuance of notes for a term not to exceed (6) six years, and that the Selectmen be authorized to determine the method of financing in the best interests of the Town, and the sum of \$9,000 be spent in the fiscal year 1980-81 for operating expenses for the balance of 1980 and 6 months in 1981, after completion of the facility.

Plan 2.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$269,000) Two hundred sixty-nine thousand of which the sum of \$155,000 will be used to renovate the Brick School to provide facilities to house the Police Department, and the sum of \$105,000 to construct new facilities to house the Rescue Squad/Civil Defense on Town Owned Land acquired for this purpose with monies to be expended and financed as follows:

The sum of \$260,000 to be raised by the issuance of notes for a term not to exceed (6) six years, and that the Selectmen be authorized to determine the method of financing in the best interests of the Town, and

The sum of \$9,000 be spent in the fiscal year 1980-81 for Operating Expenses for the balance of 1980 and 6 months in 1981 after completion of facilities or to take action relative

thereto.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to raise such monies as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the period January 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 and make appropriations for the same.

Article 6.

To see if the Town will vote to give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of tax receipts.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as offsets against budget appropriations for the following specific reasons and in the amounts indicated hereafter or take action relative thereto.

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Library - Books	\$ 1,500.00
Police - 2 Cruisers	15,500.00
Zoning - Vehicle	5,000.00
Town Office Expense - New Equip. & Appraisal	5,100.00
Fire Department Safety	<u>1,500.00</u>
	\$28,600.00

Article 8.

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 to replace the roof on the Baboosic Lake Pavillion and to erect 320' of a 7' chain link fence and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to replace two (2) gasoline pumps at the South Amherst Fire Station and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) for the purpose of painting the outside of the building and repairing windows at the Town Owned Building known as the "Chapel" or "Annex" and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount (\$1,200.00) from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and local Assistance Act of 1972.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-three Thousand Dollars (\$23,000.00) to alter the Central Fire Station to provide training, meeting and office space and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from the surplus account or take action relative thereto.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of providing for the orderly replacement of Rescue Squad communication Equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from the surplus account and that the Selectmen be authorized to carry out the intent of this Article.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the purpose of establishing a Capital Reserve Fund to provide for the orderly replacement of Police Cruisers and such other administrative motor vehicles; and to authorize the withdrawal of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) from the surplus account for the purpose of providing the necessary funds to establish the Reserve Fund and to authorize the Selectmen to carry out the intent of this Article.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eighty-five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) for the purchase of a replacement fire truck (Aerial ladder type) and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum (\$85,000.00) from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund to defray the cost.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Twenty-two Hundred Dollars (\$2,200.00) for the purpose of resurfacing one (1) tennis court at the Davis Lane Tennis Courts and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum (\$2,200.00) from the Recreation (Tennis Court) Capital Reserve Fund to

defray the cost.

Article 16.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00), said sum for the purpose of adding to the current Bridge Capital Reserve Fund for the orderly replacement of bridges in the Town of Amherst established by action of the Town Meeting of March 1979, or take action relative thereto.

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$8,800) for the purpose of initiating the first phase of a total Mosquito Control Program, said phase to cover the North Western section or approximately one-fifth of the total area of the Town.

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) to be administered by the Conservation Commission with the concurrence of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of acquiring land at their discretion to protect the natural resources and to provide open space in accordance with New Hampshire RSA 36A-5.

Article 19. (By Petition)

To see if the Town of Amherst, New Hampshire will -

1. Direct the Board of Selectmen to execute the appropriate lease agreements with the Amherst School District in order that funds may be appropriated by the Town Meeting for purposes of upgrading and maintaining the condition of the fields commonly known as (1) Spaulding Field, (2) Middle School Field, and (3) Lower Wilkins Field.
2. Vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to be administered by the Amherst Recreational Commission with the concurrence of the Board of Selectmen for purposes of implementing a field improvement program in the following manner, or relative thereto.
  - A) A sum of Fifty-five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00) to be expended to upgrade and improve the conditions of the fields commonly known as (1) Spaulding, (2) Middle School, (3) Upper Wilkins, and (4) Lower Wilkins.
  - B) A sum of Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) to be expended to maintain and improve the above stated fields during a consecutive three-year period.

C) A sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be allocated for the purpose of acquiring useful recreational land at the discretion of the Recreation Commission, or in the event of the acceptance of a suitable donated parcel of land, the amount to be used for development on said parcels.

#### Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to rescind action taken at the 1978 Annual Town Meeting under Article 20 as amended to appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of making renovations to Upper Wilkins Field, and further vote that the balance of the unexpended appropriation in the amount of \$23,335.50 be re-appropriated for the purpose of upgrading the playground areas known as Spaulding Field and Lower Wilkins Field, and that said action be contingent upon the execution of a lease arrangement between the Town of Amherst and the Board of Education of the School District of the Town of Amherst as per RSA Chapter 53-A within 90 days of town meeting or take action relative thereto.

#### Article 21.

To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to make application for and receive such advances, grants and through wills or other Funds for Town Government purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any State or private agency.

#### Article 22.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of resident taxes and to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayments as provided by RSA 80:1-a.

#### Article 23.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey two (2) pieces of property acquired by the Town by tax collector's deed (identified as Lot 65-1 on Map 5 and Lot 38 on Map 8 - 2 and 3 acres respectively) by public auction (or advertised sealed bid) or in such other manner as determined by the Selectmen as justice may require.

#### Article 24. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to declare and designate that portion of Baboosic Lake Road from the point of intersection with Pavillion Road to the Merrimack Town Line as a "Scenic Road" as set forth in RSA 253.

Article 25. (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to require that all new construction in Amherst, both residential and commercial, be equipped with some smoke alarm devices.

Given under our hands and seal, this 25th day of February,  
in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty.

BERT H. McGILL  
THOMAS P. GRELLA  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
B. P. SMITH  
PETER F. WELLS

Selectmen of Amherst, N.H.

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

BERT H. McGILL  
THOMAS P. GRELLA  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
B. P. SMITH  
PETER F. WELLS

Selectmen of Amherst, N.H.

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1980 (1980-81)
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>			
1 Town officers' salaries	27,830.00	27,829.86	43,620.00
2 Town officers' expenses	60,942.00	58,569.11	90,693.00
3 Election and Registration expenses	2,010.00	2,244.25	8,220.00
4 Municipal and District court expenses			
5 Expenses town hall and other buildings	23,930.00	24,867.56	33,730.00
6 Reappraisal of property /maps	3,000.00	2,217.85	6,000.00
7			
8			
9			
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:</b>			
10 Police Department	186,856.00	206,974.95	327,811.00
11 Parking Meters - operation & maintenance			
12 Fire department, inc. forest fires	61,320.00	65,627.56	83,418.00
13 Blister rust and care of trees	2,800.00	2,483.50	3,400.00
14 Planning and Zoning	45,433.00	46,466.77	73,649.00
15 Damages by dogs / dog account	7,445.00	6,603.30	12,200.00
16 Insurance	79,325.00	75,406.98	139,328.00
17 Civil Defense	1,555.00	1,606.64	2,115.00
18 Conservation Commission	1,365.00	1,522.28	2,605.00
19			
20			
21			
22			
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT:</b>			
23 Health Dept. - Hospital - Ambulance	20,234.00	19,230.79	25,945.00
24 Vital Statistics			
25 Town Dump and Garbage Removal	71,483.00	70,186.63	128,409.00
26			
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29			
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; BRIDGES:</b>			
30 Town road aid	2,546.03	11,930.00	2,551.23
31 Town Maintenance	253,695.00	251,515.85	419,446.00
32 Street Lighting	8,000.00	8,629.58	15,600.00
33 General expenses of highway department	34,266.00	48,526.81	60,728.00
34 Gas Subsidy	62,337.25	62,390.07	104,624.78
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37			
<b>LIBRARIES:</b>			
38 Library	65,860.00	66,414.77	110,195.00
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41			
<b>PUBLIC WELFARE:</b>			
42 Town poor	9,000.00	3,388.01	15,000.00
43 Old age assistance	6,000.00	3,517.93	9,000.00
44 Aid to permanently and totally disabled			
45 Soldiers' aid	500.00	0	750.00
46			
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48			

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1980 (1980-81)
<b>PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:</b>			
49 Memorial Day - Old home day	2,400.00	3,021.92	3,000.00
50			
51			
<b>RECREATION:</b>			
52 Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	42,232.00	42,597.91	58,814.00
53			
54			
55			
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES:</b>			
56 Municipal Sewer Dept.			
57 Municipal Water Dept.	1,875.00	3,630.00	2,720.00
58 Municipal Electric Dept.			
59 Cemeteries	9,787.00	10,186.93	14,393.00
60 Airport			
61			
<b>UNCLASSIFIED:</b>			
62 Damages and Legal expenses	14,000.00	16,685.15	22,500.00
63 Advertising and Regional Associations			
64 Employees' retirement and Social Security	33,300.00	32,019.78	60,815.00
65 Contingency Fund	10,000.00	4,353.71	15,000.00
66			
67			
68			
69			
70			
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>			
71 Principal-long term notes & bonds			
72 Interest-long term notes & bonds			
73 Interest on temporary loans	1,200.00	0	1,200.00
74			
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY:</b>			
75			
76			
77			
78			
79			
80			
81 PAYMENT TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND	39,625.00	39,625.00	39,625.00
82			
83			
84			
85 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	1,192,151.28	1,220,271.45	1,937,105.01
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED (Exclusive of School and County taxes)		\$	

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST, N.H.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>FROM LOCAL TAXES:</b>			
86 Resident Taxes	47,000.00	48,659.00	70,000.00
87 National Bank Stock Taxes	500.00	935.10	500.00
88 Yield Taxes	2,500.00	2,935.30	1,500.00
89 Interest on Delinquent Taxes	22,000.00	37,382.15	50,000.00
90 Resident Tax Penalties	250.00	290.00	
91 Inventory Penalties	4,500.00	3,384.11	
92			
93			
<b>FROM STATE</b>			
94 Meals and Rooms Tax	70,000.00	86,474.42	70,000.00
95 Interest and Dividends Tax	75,000.00	82,039.13	80,000.00
96 Savings Bank Tax	14,500.00	18,245.29	17,500.00
97 Highway Subsidy	62,337.25	60,986.59	104,624.78
98 Railroad Tax			
99 Town Road Aid	2,546.03		
100 State Aid Construction			
101 Class V Highway Maintenance			
102 State Aid Water Pollution Projects			
103 State Aid Flood Control Land			
104 National Forest Reserve			
105 Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land			
106 Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires			
107 Reimb. a/c Exemp.-Growing Wood & Timber			
108 Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	3,000.00	3,145.65	4,250.00
109 Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance			
110			
111 Business Profits Tax	2,171.00	21,164.55	0
112			
113			
114			
<b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES</b>			
115 Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	191,500.00	233,167.00	354,500.00
116 Dog Licenses	6,000.00	6,369.05	12,000.00
117 Business Licensed, Permits and Filing Fees	21,850.00	22,059.67	18,450.00
118 Fines & Forfeits, Municipal & District Court	200.00	340.00	0
119 Rent of Town Property	6,000.00	6,728.60	6,000.00
120 Interest Received on Deposits	35,000.00	98,465.83	110,000.00
121 Income From Trust Funds	5,060.00	6,960.38	7,550.00
122 Income From Departments	16,196.00	11,978.69	17,960.00
123 Income From Sewer Department			
124 Income From Water Department			
125 Income From Electric Department			
126 Surplus			
127 Franchise Fee	800.00	822.51	800.00
128			
129 Federal Grants	2,300.00	652.48	
130			
131			
<b>RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:</b>			
132 Proceeds of Bonds and Long Term Notes			
133 Withdrawal From Capital Reserve			
134 Revenue Sharing Fund	32,724.00	44,322.79	29,100.00
135 Anti Recession Fund			
136			
137 TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	623,934.28	797,508.29	954,734.78

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

I T E M	LAND (Line 1) — List all improved and unimproved land except Public Utility operating plant land which is to be included in items 4, 5, and 6 • BUILDINGS (Line 2) — List all buildings except Factory Buildings listed separately on line 3. Include house trailers <u>assessed as real property</u> on line 2 and those that are <u>assessed as personal property</u> on line 9. The classification test is their mobility.			Number Of Each	1979 VALUATION
1.	LAND — Improved and Unimproved      36,822,560.00 — 5,334,595.00			•••	31,487,965.00
2.	BUILDINGS — Excluding items listed on lines 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 below			•••	91,131,980.00
3.	Factory Buildings			•••	3,439,850.00
4.	PUBLIC WATER UTILITY (Privately owned water supply serving public)			•••	
5.	PUBLIC UTILITIES — Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc. Furnish breakdown by individual company in space provided on page 4.			Gas	•••
6.				Electric	•••
7.				Oil Pipeline	•••
8.	Mature Wood and Timber (RSA 79:5)			•••	
9.	House Trailers, Mobile Homes & Travel Trailers Assessed as Personal Property.				266,100.00
10.	Vehicles			•••	
11.	Boats & Launches      Enter the net taxable valuation after exemption and number taxed.				
12.	TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED			<del>✓✓</del>	\$128,191,626.00
13.	Blind Exemptions      (Number ..... 4 ..... )a.      \$ 20,000.00				X X X X
14.	• Elderly Exemptions      (Number ..... )b.      \$ 743,900.00				X X X X
15.	School Dining Rm., Dormitory & Kitchen Exemptions      c.      \$				X X X X
16.	Water and Air Pollution Control Exemptions (RSA 72:12-a)      d.      \$				X X X X
17.	TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED (a+b+c+d)			<del>✓✓</del>	\$ 763,900.00
18.	NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED (Line 12 minus 16) <sup>10</sup>			<del>✓✓</del>	\$127,427,726.00

Property Taxes

- 72.6. REAL ESTATE. All real estate, whether improved or unimproved, shall be taxed except as otherwise provided.
- 72.7 BUILDINGS, ETC. Buildings, mills, wharves, ferries, tollbridges, locks, etc.
- PUBLIC WATER UTILITY. Value of real estate, buildings and structures of privately owned water companies. No separation between land, buildings or other structures required in this summary.
- 72:7-a HOUSE TRAILERS. A house trailer, travel trailer, or mobile home suitable for use for domestic, commercial or industrial purposes is taxable in the town in which it is located on April first in any year if it was brought into the state on or before April first and remains here after June fifteenth in any year, except that a travel trailer as determined by the Dept. of Revenue Administration, registered in this state for touring or pleasure and not remaining in any one town, city or unincorporated place for more than forty-five days, except for storage only, be exempt from taxation.

• Refer to Page 4

SPACE BELOW  
RESERVED  
For The  
Department of Revenue  
Administration

PRECINCT AND SCHOOL DISTRICT VALUATION  
Where valuation of Precincts and/or School Districts is not identical with the town or city, identify  
the unit of government in the columnar headings and list valuations and exemptions in the same man-  
ner as on page 2.

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	2,930,950.00	- 136,065.00	2,794,885.00	1.
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 \$			11,599,658.00	12.
a.			10,000.00	13a.
b.			180,900.00	14b.
c.				15c.
d.				16d.
 \$			190,900.00	17.
 \$			11,408,758.00	18.

• 72:8 ELECTRIC PLANTS AND PIPE LINES. Structures, machinery, dynamos, apparatus, poles, wires, fixtures of all kinds, and descriptions, and pipe lines owned by a person or corporation operating as a public utility as defined in RSA 362:2 generating, producing, supplying and distributing electric power or light, or in transporting natural gas, crude petroleum and refined petroleum products or combinations thereof, shall be taxed as real estate in the town in which said property or any part of it is situated.

72:15 PERSONAL ESTATE. 11 BOATS. All boats of every description, however propelled, on the excess of the aggregate value over one hundred dollars.

III VEHICLES. Vehicles in excess of the aggregate value of one hundred dollars; provided however, that motor vehicles, house trailers and all trailers and semi-trailers used in connection with a vehicle of the tractor type, snow traveling vehicles and farm trailers, shall not be regarded as vehicles.

COMPARISON INVENTORY VALUATION FOR TAX COMPUTATION

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1979</u>
Land Use Exemption			
Land	\$34,546,231	\$34,766,210	\$35,699,590
Land	5,169,855	5,199,870	5,216,120
Net Land Buildings	<u>29,376,376</u>	<u>29,566,340</u>	<u>30,483,470</u>
Buildings	70,610,870	78,984,520	82,130,960
Factory Buildings	493,450	851,800	3,845,160
Utilities:			
Water	110,300	110,350	110,350
Gas	504,440	504,800	499,100
Electric	1,086,710	1,458,900	1,239,981
Mobile Homes	(51)	(57)	(56)
Boats	(48)	(56)	(74)
Total Valuation before Exemption	<u>102,361,187</u>	<u>111,742,167</u>	<u>118,602,184</u>
Elderly Exemption	(52)	(62)	(73)
Blind Exemption	(3)	(4)	(5)
Net Value	<u>101,867,187</u>	<u>111,161,482</u>	<u>117,894,384</u>
Increase over Previous Year:			
Gross	5.24%	9.17%	9.42%
Net	4.92%	9.13%	10.60%

\*Revaluation 1974

Statement of Appropriations  
and Taxes Assessed and Tax Rate

<u>SOURCES OF REVENUE</u>		<u>FOR USE BY TOWN</u>
<b>FROM LOCAL TAXES:</b>		
86	Resident Taxes	63,270.00
87	National Bank Stock Taxes	825.00
88	Yield Taxes	2,534.25
89	Interest on Delinquent Taxes	31,498.77
90	Resident Tax Penalties	218.00
91	Inventory Penalties	3,500.00
<b>FROM STATE</b>		
94	Meals and Rooms Tax	86,474.00
95	Interest and Dividends Tax	82,039.13
96	Savings Bank Tax	18,245.29
97	Highway Subsidy	62,337.25
98	Railroad Tax	676.13
99	Town Road Aid	4.94
100	State Aid Construction	
101	Class V Highway Maintenance	
102	State Aid Water Pollution Projects	
103	State Aid Flood Control Land	
104	National Forest Reserve	
105	Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	20.02
106	Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires	
107	Reimb. a/c Exemp.-Growing Wood & Timber	
108	Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	2,569.76
109	Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance	572.25
110	Grant - Cadet	800.00
<b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES</b>		
115	Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	166,062.00
116	Dog Licenses	6,434.00
117	Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	13,763.00
118	Fines & Forfeits, Municipal & District Court	250.00
119	Rent of Town Property	6,176.60
120	Interest Received on Deposits	63,150.70
121	Income from Trust Funds	4,971.15
122	Income from Departments	13,210.42
123	Income from Sewer Department	
124	Income from Water Department	
125	Income from Electric Department	
126	Surplus	24,000.00
127	Precinct Payment	5,000.00
128	Land Fill Payment	1,500.00
129	Franchise Fee Estimate	800.00
<b>RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE:</b>		
132	Proceeds of Bonds and Long Term Notes	
133	Withdrawals From Capital Reserve Funds	
134	Revenue Sharing Funds	37,724.00
135	Anti Recession Fund	
137	TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	698,626.66

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONSFOR USE BY TOWNGENERAL GOVERNMENT:

1	Town officers's salaries	27,830.00
2	Town officers' expenses	60,942.00
3	Election and Registration expenses	2,010.00
4	Municipal and District court expenses	
5	Town Hall and Other Buildings Expenses	23,930.00
6	Reappraisal of property	
7	Mapping	3,000.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

10	Police department	186,856.00
11	Parking Meters - operation & maintenance	
12	Fire Department, inc. forest fires	61,320.00
13	Blister rust and care of trees	2,800.00
14	Planning and Zoning	45,433.00
15	Damages by dogs	7,445.00
16	Insurance	79,325.00
17	Civil Defense	1,555.00
18	Conservation Commission	1,365.00
19	Article #13 - Master Plan	2,000.00

HEALTH:

23	Health Dept. \$6,124, Hospital, Ambulance \$14,110	20,234.00
24	Vital Statistics	
25	Town Dump and Garbage Removal	71,483.00

HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES:

30	Town road aid	2,546.03
31	Town Maintenance	316,032.25
32	Street Lighting	8,000.00
33	General expenses of highway department	34,266.00

LIBRARIES:

38	Library	65,860.00
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PUBLIC WELFARE:

42	Town poor	9,000.00
43	Old age assistance	6,000.00
44	Aid to permanently and totally disabled	
45	Soldiers' aid	500.00

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS

FOR USE BY TOWN

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:

49 Memorial Day - Old home day 2,400.00

RECREATION:

52 Parks &amp; Playground, inc. band concerts 42,232.00

PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES:

56	Municipal Sewer Dept.	1,875.00
57	Municipal Water Dept.	
58	Municipal Electric Dept.	
59	Cemeteries	9,787.00
60	Airport	

UNCLASSIFIED:

62	Damages and Legal expenses	14,000.00
63	Advertising and Regional Associations	
64	Employees' retirement and Social Security	33,300.00
65	Contingency Fund	10,000.00

DEBT SERVICE:

71	Principal-long term notes 7 bonds	
72	Interest-long term notes & bonds	
73	Interst on temporary loans	1,200.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

75	Article #10 - Pavillion	17,500.00
76	Article #11 - Town Barn	24,000.00
77	Article #14 - Cash Registers	5,000.00
78	Article #21 - Land	80,000.00

82	PAYMENTS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS Art. 15 Bridge	60,000.00
82	Grader	8,500.00
83	Truck Res.	15,500.00
84	Highway Equipment	16,125.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

138	Total Town Appropriations (line 85)	1,380,651.28
139	Total Revenues and Credits (line 137)	698,626.66
140	Net Town Appropriations (Line 85 minus 137)	682,024.62
141	New School Appropriations	3,778,503.80
142	County Tax Assessments	258,712.00
143	Total of Town, School and County (line 140+141+142)	4,719,240.42
144	DEDUCT Total Business Profits Tax Reimbursement -	247,249.36
145	ADD War Service Credits (see page 6)	+ 37,200.00
146	ADD Overlay	+ 100,000.00
147	Property Taxes To Be Raised	4,609,191.06

## TAX RATES (per thousand)

Unit of Government	Rate
Municipal	\$ 6.30
County	1.90
School	28.00
	<u>\$36.20</u>
Amherst Village District	.90

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1979

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation + or - Income	1979 Acc. 1980 Acc.	Pay. Rec.	Total Available	Expended	Over	Under	1980/81
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 27,830.00	\$ 1,303.41		\$ 27,830.00	\$ 27,829.86			\$ 43,620.00
Town Office Expense	60,942.00			65,960.41	58,560.11			90,693.00
Brick School	7,560.00			7,835.00	8,937.72	\$ 1,102.72		12,730.00
Town Hall	16,370.00	29.77		95.00	16,494.77	15,929.84		21,000.00
Elections	2,010.00			6.61	2,136.61	2,244.25		8,220.00
Legal	14,000.00				16,397.10	16,685.15		22,500.00
Insurance	79,325.00	814.72			80,139.72	75,406.98		139,328.00
Maps	3,000.00	261.75			3,261.75	2,217.85		6,000.00
N.H. Retirement	8,800.00				8,800.00	8,941.27	141.27	17,308.00
Social Security	18,000.00				18,000.00	16,720.37		31,870.00
Retirement	6,500.00				6,500.00	6,358.14		11,437.00
Police	171,898.00	9,117.19		632.00	181,647.19	192,270.64	10,623.45	303,811.00
Fire	61,320.00	2,684.56		9.94	64,014.50	65,627.56	1,613.06	83,418.00
Street Lights	8,000.00				8,000.00	8,629.58		15,600.00
Dog Account	7,445.00				7,445.00	6,603.30		12,200.00
Civil Defense	1,555.00	742.21			2,297.21	1,606.64		2,115.00
Ambulance	14,110.00	315.40			14,718.75	13,106.79		19,005.00
Communications	14,558.00				14,938.00	14,704.31		24,000.00
Health	600.00				600.00	600.00		900.00
Land Fill Assessment	60,136.00				60,136.00	60,135.68		
Souhegan Nursing	4,500.00				4,500.00	4,500.00		4,500.00
Nashua Mental Health	1,024.00				1,024.00	1,024.00		1,540.00
General Expense Highway	34,266.00				35,183.37	48,526.81		60,728.00
Land Fill Expense	11,347.00				11,347.00	10,050.95		14,342.00
Oiling	57,921.00				57,921.00	56,220.87		69,192.00
Summer Maintenance	56,719.00	171.15			56,890.15	55,831.24		86,298.00
Winter Maintenance	125,605.00				126,107.34	120,623.64		250,506.00
Road Improvement	13,450.00	5,000.00			18,450.00	18,820.10		13,450.00
Parks	8,622.00					8,622.00		13,454.00
Cemeteries	9,787.00	1.51				8,680.05		14,393.00
T.R.A.	2,946.03	9,360.37				11,186.93		2,351.23
Gas Subsidy	62,337.25					62,390.07		104,624.78
Grader Fund	8,500.00					8,500.00		8,500.00



Town of ..... AMHERST .....

## ASSETS

## BALANCE

<b>Cash:</b>				
In hands of treasurer (See Instructions - Attach Supporting Schedule) A		2,062,100.31		
In hands of officials (Attach Schedule Showing Details) Deposit in transit	20,321.24		2,082,421.55	
<b>TOTAL</b> Petty Cash	• • • • •		150.00	
<b>Bonds or Long Term Notes</b> — Authorized — Unissued	• • • • •			
<b>Capital Reserve Funds:</b> (R.S.A., Chap. 35)				
(For the acquisition of equipment and new construction)				
(a) State purpose of Fund Highway Veh. 29,734.06, Rescue 6,732.98, Cemetery 4,630.49, Bridge 60,000, Fire Truck 66,240.88, Highway Eq. 35,944.83, Grader 38,972.12, Recreation				
5,575.08 <b>Total</b>	• • • • •		247,830.44	
<b>Accounts Due to the Town</b> Schedule B			14,052.95	
Due from State:				
(a) Joint Highway Construc'n Accounts, Unexpended Bal. in State Treasury				
(b)				
(c)				
(d)				
Other bills due Town:				
(a) Lien For The Elderly (RSA 72:38-A)				
(b) Gas Inventory			4,541.36	
(c)				
(d)				
<b>Total</b>	• • • • •			
<b>Unredeemed Taxes:</b> (from tax sale on account of)				
(a) Levy of 1978		101,510.76		
(b) Levy of 1977		30,063.22		
(c) Levy of 1976		618.79		
(d) Previous Years				
<b>Total</b>	• • • • •		132,192.77	
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>				
(a) Levy of 1979, Including Resident Taxes		662,105.31		
(b) Levy of 1978		2,732.86		
(c) Levy of 1977				
(d) Previous Years		650.00		
<b>Total</b>	• • • • •		665,488.17	
<b>Total Assets</b>	• • • • •		3,146,677.24	
<b>Current Deficit (Excess of liabilities over assets)</b>	• • • • •			
This <b>Grand Total</b>	• • • • •			
Current Surplus (XXXXX December 31, 1978		238,691.52		
Current Surplus (XXXXX December 31, 1979		420,789.69		
Increase-XXXXX of Surplus (XXXXX — Change in Financial Condition		182,098.17		

LIABILITIES				
<b>Accounts Owed by the Town:</b>				
Bills outstanding	Schedule C	14,913.86	• • • • •	
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations: (Attach Schedule)	E	118,535.97	• • • • •	
Unexpended Balances of Bond & Note Funds (Attach Schedule)			• • • • •	
<b>Sewer Fund</b>			• • • • •	
Parking Meter Fund			• • • • •	
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds		10,422.29	• • • • •	
Unexpended Law Enforcement Assistance Funds			• • • • •	
Unexpended State Highway Subsidy Funds			• • • • •	
Performance Guarantee (Bond) Deposits			• • • • •	
<b>Due to State:</b>			• • • • •	
2% - Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes			• • • • •	
(Un-collected \$ 539.70 Collected — not remitted to State Treas. \$ 10.59)		550.29	• • • • •	
Dog License Fees Collected — Not Remitted		634.00	• • • • •	
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)		2,459.97	• • • • •	
County Taxes Payable			• • • • •	
Precincts Taxes Payable			• • • • •	
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable		2,308,331.50	• • • • •	
<b>Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding:</b> <small>List each note separately with name of holder and maturity date</small>			• • • • •	
			• • • • •	
			• • • • •	
			• • • • •	
<b>Other Liabilities (Attach Schedule)</b>	Taxes Overpaid	1,516.49	• • • • •	
Special Funds		19,195.00	• • • • •	
Special Accounts Forward Schedule D		1,497.74	• • • • •	
<b>Total Accounts Owed by the Town</b>		57	• • • • •	2,478,057.11
<b>State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accoun.s:</b>			• • • • •	
(a) Unexpended balance in State Treasury			• • • • •	
(b) Unexpended balance in Town Treasury			• • • • •	
<b>Capital Reserve Funds:</b> (Offsets similar Asset account)			• • • • •	247,830.44
<b>Total Liabilities</b>			• • • • •	2,725,887.55
<b>Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)</b>			• • • • •	420,789.69
<b>Should equal <i>P</i> this Grand Total</b>			• • • • •	3,146,677.24

Note: DO NOT INCLUDE OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS AMONG LIABILITIES  
ON THIS PAGE: SUCH DEBT MUST BE REPORTED ON PAGE 8.

Accounts Receivable  
Schedule B

Due From Trustees

	Bal. of Cemetery Appropriation	\$ 2,692.71
105-700	Highway Vehicle Trust	10,321.76
105-700	Highway Equipment Trust	397.48
5200-123	Milford Court	560.00
3308-02	Union Mutual Fire	9.00
5200-008	Amherst County Club	32.00
5200-008	Hollis High School	40.00
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		\$14,052.95

Accounts Payable  
Schedule C

3313-00	Norman Constant	\$ 55.80
5602-000	Collins Tree Service	420.00
5200-131	Coronis Cleaners	87.41
5106-000	Attorney William Drescher	950.05
5102-036	Sanitas Waste Disposal	41.00
5500-538	I.G.A.	120.00
5101-113	Hillsborough County Treasurer	15.15
5907-113	Hillsborough County Treasurer	32.00
5103-030	Amherst Village District	10.00
5101-080	Tom-Ray Office Supply, Inc.	157.63
5200-083	N.H. Audio Vue, Inc.	4.00
5200-074	Sheldon Automotive, Inc.	25.00
5107-161	N.H. Unemployment Compensation Fund	315.88
5113-000	Town of Amherst Payroll Account	709.80
5114-000	Town of Amherst Payroll Account	5,269.91
5115-000	Town of Amherst Payroll Account	400.74
5907-100	Cabinet Press	288.40
5908-100	Cabinet Press	56.00
5101-100	Cabinet Press	21.00
5500-110	E.C. Masten	40.00
5101-105	A.D.P.	51.58
5600-030	Amherst Village District	15.00
5102-030	Amherst Village District	10.00
5600-171	Jauron Sporting Goods	46.55
5600-172	Jauron Sporting Goods	85.45
5601-000	Conservation Balance	226.88
5909-085	Office Machines	121.49
5206-136	Medical Plastics Lab	444.65
5904-000	Holt Flag	169.00
5905-000	Holt Flag	392.68
5905-000	Jones Express	22.09
5600-175	Outing Club balance to Special	283.72
5101-109	Howard Boothroyd	64.00
5101-085	N.H. Audio Vue, Inc.	461.00
5101-103	Deloitte Haskins & Sells	<hr/> 3,500.00
		<hr/> \$14,913.86

Special Accounts  
Schedule D

3600-08	Balance Forward Uniforms	\$ 105.90
3600-10	To Special Fund - Ski Swap	404.18
5606-000	Adult Education Forward	987.66
		<u>\$1,497.74</u>

Appropriations Forward  
Schedule E

5B	Bridge	\$ 7,695.39
5D	Police/Rescue	7,286.51
5D20	Wilkins Field	23,335.50
5E13	Master Plan	218.57
5E21	Bridge	80,000.00
		<u>\$118,535.97</u>

Town of AMHERST.....

## RECEIPTS

<b>Current Revenue:</b>		
1 From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)	298.36	
2 Property Taxes — Current Year — <del>1968</del> 1979	3,931,776.54	
3 Resident Taxes — Current Year — <del>1968</del> 1979	46,300.00	
4 National Bank Stock Taxes — Current Year — <del>1968</del> 1979	935.10	
5 Yield Taxes — Current Year — <del>1968</del> 1979	2,935.80	
<b>6 Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted</b>	<b>3,982,245.40</b>	
7 Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years	547,246.26	
8 Resident Taxes — Previous Years	2,459.00	
9 Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	27,328.26	
10 Penalties: Resident Taxes	290.00	
11 Tax sales redeemed	106,452.07	
12 Tax Sale Interest	10,053.89	
13 Land Use Recovery	8,200.00	
<b>14 Total Previous Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted</b>	<b>702,029.48</b>	
<b>15 Total Taxes Collected and Remitted</b>	<b>4,684,274.88</b>	
<b>16 FROM STATE</b>		
17 Meals and Rooms Tax	86,474.42	
18 Interest and Dividends Tax	82,039.13	
19 Savings Bank Tax	18,245.29	
20 Highway Subsidy	60,986.59	
21 Railroad Tax	676.13	
22 Town Road Aid	9,365.31	
23 State Aid Construction		
24 Class V Highway Maintenance		
25 State Aid Water Pollution Projects		
26 State Aid Flood Control Land		
27 National Forest Reserve		
28 Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	20.02	
29 Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires		
30 Reimb. a/c Exemp.-Growing Wood & Timber		
31 Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	3,145.65	
32 Reimb. a/c Old Age Assistance	691.15	
33 Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax	247,249.36	
34		
35		
<b>36 All Other Receipts From State (Attach Schedule)</b>		
<b>37 Total Receipt From State</b>	<b>508,893.05</b>	
<b>38 FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES</b>		
39 Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	233,167.00	
40 Dog Licenses	6,369.05	
41 Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	18,584.75	
42 Fines & Forfeits, Municipal & District Court	340.00	
43 Rent of Town Property	6,728.60	
44 Interest Received on Deposits	98,465.83	
45 Income From Trust Funds	6,960.88	
		<b>370,615.61</b>

46 Income From Departments		
47 Income From Sewer Department		
48 Income From Water Department		
49 Income From Electric Department		
50 Other Income From Local Sources (Attach Schedule)	52,618.19	
<b>51 Total Income From Local Sources</b>		<b>52,168.19</b>
<b>Receipts Other than Current Revenue:</b>		
52 Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	100,000.00	
53 Proceeds of Long Term Notes	2,500.00	
54 Proceeds of Bond Issues		
55 Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Bond Issues		
56 Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Long Term Notes		
57 Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of Federal Aid		
58 Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of State Aid		
59 Insurance adjustments		
60 Refunds	2,789.98	
61 Gifts		
62 New Trust Funds received during year	2,125.00	
63 Payments in Lieu of Taxes	822.51	
64 Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	21,916.38	
65 Sale of town property	2,595.87	
66 Yield Tax Security Deposits	2,484.29	
67 Assessments for Water, Sewer and Sidewalk Construction		
68 Premiums on Bonds Sold		
69 Accrued Interest on Bonds Sold		
70 Interest on School Loan	127.78	
71		
72		
73 Add to Earmarked Accounts	3,133.96	
74		
75 Other Receipts Not Current Revenues (Attach Schedule)		
<b>76 Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue</b>		<b>138,495.77</b>
<b>Grants From Federal Government</b>		
78 Revenue Sharing	34,216.00	
79 Interest on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	1,771.32	
80 Water pollution Aid a/c Sewer Construction		
81 Law Enforcement Assistance Act	716.48	
82 Emergency Employment Act		
83 Recreation Grants		
84 Cash Short	16.04	
85 All Other Federal Grants (Attach Schedule)		
<b>86 Total Grants From Federal Government</b>		<b>36,719.84</b>
<b>87 Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue</b>		
<b>88 Total Receipts from All Sources</b>	<b>5,791,167.34</b>	
89 Cash on hand January, 1, 1980 — (July 1, 1980)	1,749,777.00	
<b>90 This <i>&amp;</i> Grand Total</b>		<b>7,540,944.34</b>

**PAYMENTS**

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**Current Maintenance Expenses:**

<b>91 GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>	
92 Town officers' salaries	27,829.86
93 Town officers' expenses	54,384.25
94 Election and Registration expenses	2,244.25
95 Municipal and District court expenses	
96 Town Hall and Other Buildings Expenses	26,580.60
97 Reappraisal of property	2,864.37
98 Other General Governmental Expenses (Attach Schedule)	
<b>99 Total General Governmental Expenses</b>	<b>113,903.33</b>
<b>100 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:</b>	
101 Police department	208,242.88
102 Parking Meters - operation & maintenance	
103 Fire Department, inc. forest fires	65,627.56
104 Blister rust and care of trees	2,063.50
105 Planning and Zoning	45,968.88
106 Damages by dogs	5,911.30
107 Insurance	75,091.10
108 Civil Defense	1,606.64
109 Conservation Commission	1,295.40
110 Other Protection Expenses (Attach Schedule)	2,960.08
<b>111 Total Protection of Persons and Property Expenses</b>	<b>408,767.34</b>
<b>112 HEALTH:</b>	
113 Health Dept. \$..... Hospital \$..... Ambulance \$.....	18,851.14
114 Vital Statistics	
115 Town Dump and Garbage Removal	70,186.63
116 Other Health Expenses (Attach Schedule)	
<b>117 Total Health Expenses</b>	<b>89,037.77</b>
<b>118 HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:</b>	
119 Town road aid	11,930.00
120 Town Maintenance	313,923.92
121 Street Lighting	8,629.58
122 General expenses and highway department	48,526.81
123 Other Highways and Bridges Expenses (Attach Schedule)	
<b>124 Total Highways and Bridges Expenses</b>	<b>383,010.31</b>
<b>125 LIBRARIES:</b>	
126 Library	66,414.77
<b>127 PUBLIC WELFARE:</b>	
128 Town poor	3,228.01
129 Old age assistance	3,517.93
130 Aid to permanently and totally disabled	
131 Soldiers' aid	
132 Other Public Welfare Expenses (Attach Schedule)	
<b>133 Total Public Welfare Expenses</b>	<b>6,745.94</b>
<b>134 PATRIOTIC PURPOSES:</b>	
135 Memorial Day - Old home day	2,438.15
136 Other Patriotic Purpose Expenses	
<b>137 Total Patriotic Purpose Expenses</b>	<b>2,438.15</b>
<b>138 RECREATION:</b>	
139 Parks & Playground, inc. band concerts	8,680.05
140 Other Recreational Expenses (Attach Schedule)	44,904.89
<b>141 Total Recreational Expenses</b>	<b>53,584.94</b>

PAYMENTS — (Continued)

<b>142 PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES:</b>	
143 Municipal Sewer Dept.	
144 Municipal Water Dept.	3,630.00
145 Municipal Electric Dept.	
146 Cemeteries	10,186.93
147 Airport	
148 Other Public Service Expenses (Attach Schedule)	Res. Tax 2,320.00
149 Total Public Service Enterprise Expenses	16,136.93
<b>150 UNCLASSIFIED:</b>	
151 Damages and Legal expenses	15,735.10
152 Advertising and Regional Associations	
153 Employees' retirement and Social Security	25,639.33
154 Contingency Fund	4,353.71
155 Taxes bought by town	149,517.98
156 Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	7,710.51
157 Payments to trustees of trust funds (New Trust Funds)	2,125.00
158 Payment of Lien for the Elderly (RSA 72:38-A)	
159 Other Unclassified expenses (Attach Schedule)	
160 Total Unclassified Expenses	205,081.63
<b>161 DEBT SERVICE:</b>	
162 Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	100,000.00
163 Principal - long term notes and bonds	
164 Interest - long term notes and bonds	
165 Interest on temporary loans	From Special Account 2,311.03
166 Total Debt Service Payments	102,311.03
<b>167 CAPITAL OUTLAY: (Enter Specific Items per Budget)</b>	
168 Payments to capital reserve funds	
169 Payments from Capital Reserves	32,635.62
170 Truck Fund	15,000.00
171 Eq. Reserve	16,125.00
172 Grader Fund	8,500.00
173 Bridge Reserve	60,000.00
174	
175	
176 Art. 14, Cash Reg.	5,000.00
177 Art. 10, Crusier	6,373.00
178 Art. 11, Police/Rescue	2,118.49
179 Art. 20, Wilkins Field	1,704.50
180 Art. 10E Pavillion	17,500.00
181 Art. 11E Barn	24,060.00
182 Art. 13B Master Plan	1,781.43
183 Total Outlay Payments	190,798.04
<b>184 Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>	
185 Payment to State a-c Dog License Fees	692.00
186 Payments to State a-c 2% Bond and Debt Retirement Taxes	1,945.57
187 Taxes paid to County	258,712.00
188 Payments to Precincts	9,719.00
189 Payments to School Districts (1979 Tax \$ ) (1980 Tax \$ 1,468,642.50	3,547,642.76
190 Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	3,818,711.33
191 Total Payments for all Purposes	5,456,941.51
192 Cash on hand December 31, 1979 — (June 30, 1980)	2,084,002.83
193 Should equal $\varnothing$ this Grand Total	7,540,944.34

**SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

As of December 31, 1979; June 30, 1980 (1)

1. Long Term Notes Outstanding: (List Each Issue Separately)	Purpose of Issue (2)	Amount				
			•	•	•	•
NONE			•	•	•	•
			•	•	•	•
			•	•	•	•
			•	•	•	•
2. Total Long Term Notes Outstanding			•	•	•	•
3. Bonds Outstanding: (List Each Issue Separately)			•	•	•	•
			•	•	•	•
			•	•	•	•
4. Total Bonds Outstanding			•	•	•	•
5. Total Long Term Indebtedness — December 31, 1979; June 30, 1980 (Line 2 Plus Line 4)			•	•	•	•

(1) Amount of outstanding long term indebtedness must be reported as of the end of the municipality's fiscal year, i.e., in towns reporting on a calendar year basis-December 31, 1979, in towns reporting on a fiscal year basis - June 30, 1980, or other applicable date.

(2) Use code "S" for Sewer Bonds; "W" for Water Bonds; "G" for General Purpose Bonds.

**RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**

1. Outstanding Long Term Debt — December 31, 1979, June 30, 1980	•	•	•	•	•	
2. New Debt Created During Fiscal Year:	•	•	•	•	•	•
a. Long Term Notes Issued					•	•
b. Bonds Issued					•	•
3. Total (Line 2a and 2b)	•	•	•	•	•	
4. Total (Line 1 and 3)	•	•	•	•	•	
5. Debt Retirement During Fiscal Year:	•	•	•	•	•	•
a. Long Term Notes Paid					•	•
b. Bonds Paid					•	•
6. Total (Line 5a and 5b)	•	•	•	•	•	
7. Outstanding Long Term Debt — December 31, 1979, June 30, 1980 (Line 4 Less Line 6)	•	•	•	•	•	•

DO NOT REPORT LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS AS LIABILITIES ON PAGE 3

Schedule of Town Property

<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Property and Map No.</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Value</u>
1824	Town Hall & Land, 18-43		\$180,000
	Equipment		30,000
1890	Library & Land, 17-7		179,500
	Equipment		47,000
	Police Equipment		25,000
1872	Village Fire Station		89,300
	Equipment		148,200
1917	Highway Dept. Land & Bldg.		23,200
	Equipment		121,000
	Parks, Commons & Playground		5,000
1953	Brick School, 17-82		155,000
	Equipment		2,000
	Annex		29,800
1973	Cemetery Tool House		5,300
	Equipment		6,000
	Rescue Equipment		35,000
1971	Baboosic Lake Land & Bldg., 24-13		50,000
	Equipment		3,000
	Town Sanitary Land Fill		2,120
1932	Baboosic Dump, 6-86		1,990
1974	Souhegan Land Fill, 8-9		85,000
1975	South Amherst Fire Station, 2-172/1		55,500
1904	Land for Village Courts		1,000
1977	Howard Cemetery		10,000
1977	Carey Development		1,000
1977	Jasper Valley Dev. Corp.		
1977	Sullivan		
1976	Thibodeau Land, 2-163	1A	3,000

Conservation Land:

1969	Sherburne Lane, 2-145/3	10A	1,000
1970	Joe English Brook, 10/2	77A	30,000
1974	20 Associates Land, 9-2	117A	40,000
1968	Odell Meadow, 5-152	47A	1,400
1970	Boissonault Land, 1-22/1	23A	8,500
1971	Plumb Land, 10-40/1	47A	4,300
1970	Erikson Land, 10-3	8A	1,440
1970	Bartlett Land, 4-55	2A	800
1974	Wilkins Land, 5-147	5.5A	200
1975	The Meadows Conservation Land, 6-115	6A	3,500
1976	Ross Land, 6-112	9.8A	600
1978	Harding Memorial, 10-4	80A	55,000
1978	Addition to Plumb Forest, 10-18	20A	13,600
1977	Carey Development Corp., 4-52/54	10-11A	5,000

Tax Deeds:

1970	Brown Lot, at Lake	1A	500
1959	Goodwin Bldg.		100
1938	Chandler Lot, 6/38	3A	100
1938	Melendy Lot, 4-16/1	2A	100

Tax Deeds Cont'd:

1965	White Lot, 4-16	1A	1,090
1957	Gelinas Land, 11-17	16A	960
1970	Broadway Lot, 24-11	.04A	2,330
1958	Brooks Land, 24-19	.14A	1,780
1969	Glover Land, 1-30	30A	1,520
1973	Jones Lot, 2-26	1A	200
1971	Nash Land, 24-77 & 61		150
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-82	5A	500
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-170	3A	150
1974	Yankee Homes Land, 5-169	3A	100
1976	Essex Lot, 5-65/1	2A	100
1976	Sylvester Lot, 8-77/10	17.5A	15,600
1976	Currier Land, 2-115	6A	600
1976	Currier Land, 4-34/23	14A	1,200
1977	Cloutier, 6-65	1A	1,000
1979	Glover Lot, 2-146/55	.75A	2,900
1979	Glover Lot, 2-146/56	.75A	2,900
1979	Glover Lot, 2-146/57	.75A	2,900

Itemization of Qualifying Current Use,  
Acreages and Assessments

	<u>No. of Owners</u>	<u>No. of Acres</u>
a/c Farm Land	55	1,133.69
a/c Wetland	47	553.75
a/c Flood Plain		
a/c Forest Land	71	2,634.80
a/c Recreational Land		
a/c Wild Land		
a/c Discretionary Easement	60	2,992.62

TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE OF LAND UNDER CURRENT USE.....\$5,334,595.00

Report of the Town Clerk

For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

7644 Vehicle Registrations	\$231,195.00
1963 Vehicle Titles	1,972.00
Vital Statistics	389.00
Uniform Commercial Codes	1,229.00
Business Permits & Filing Fees	34.00
Miscellaneous	4.00
Dredge & Fill	<u>24.00</u>

DOG ACCOUNT: \$234,847.00

1268 1979 licenses & late fees	6,174.55
35 1978 licenses & late fees	79.50
6 1979 Kennels	115.00
Unrestrained dogs	<u>340.00</u>

\$ 6,709.05

Total Amount Paid to Town Treasurer \$241,556.05

Respectfully submitted,

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

December 31, 1979

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1980 Warrant

Prepayment Received	\$300.00
Remitted to Treasurer	300.00

Summary of the Warrants - 1979

Committed to Collector

Property	4,590,235.11	
Yield	3,041.14	
Bank Stock	935.10	
Land Use Recovery	<u>5,470.00</u>	
		\$4,599,681.35
Added Property	837.48	
Overpayments	2,228.69	
Cash Over	.42	
Interest Collected	<u>3,797.73</u>	
		\$4,606.545.67

Remitted to Treasurer

Property	3,931,776.64	
Yield	2,935.30	
Bank Stock	935.10	
Land Use Recovery	<u>5,470.00</u>	
		\$3,941,117.04
Cash Over	.42	
Interest Remitted		3,797.73

Abated per list		8,165.17
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Uncollected per list

Yield	105.84	
Property	<u>653,359.47</u>	
		<u>653,465.31</u>
		\$4,606,545.67

Summary of Warrants - 1978

Uncollected 1/1/79

Property	548,483.22	
Yield	57.84	
Land Use	<u>2,480.00</u>	
		\$ 551,021.06
Cash on hand 1/1/79		712.00
Added tax - Property	50.00	
Land Use	250.00	
Yield	<u>382.80</u>	
		682.80
Overpayment	7.52	
Cullinan & Estey	120.40	
H & II	<u>50.96</u>	
		178.88

Interest Collected

Property	23,097.49	
Interest	<u>139.47</u>	
		<u>23,236.96</u>

TOTAL DUE 575,831.70

Remitted to Treasurer		
Property	544,939.04	
Land Use	2,730.00	
Yield	<u>440.64</u>	
		548,109.68
Interest		
Property	23,097.49	
Land Use	<u>139.47</u>	
		23,236.96
Abated Property		4,123.20
Uncollected		<u>361.86</u>
TOTAL		575,831.70

1977 Property

Uncollected 1/1/79	1,866.48	
Interest	<u>293.57</u>	
	2,160.05	

Remitted to Treasurer		
Property tax	1,866.48	
Interest	<u>293.57</u>	
	2,160.05	

1979 RESIDENT TAX

Taxes Committed to Collector	63,270.00	
Added Taxes	<u>1,630.00</u>	
Penalties Collected		<u>61.00</u>
TOTAL		64,961.00
Remitted to Treasurer	46,300.00	
Penalties Remitted	<u>61.00</u>	
Total Remitted	46,361.00	
Abated Per list	<u>9,960.00</u>	
Uncollected per list		<u>8,640.00</u>
TOTAL		64,961.00

1978 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected 1/1/79	6,570.00	
Added Taxes	<u>520.00</u>	
Penalties Collected		<u>221.00</u>
TOTAL		7,311.00
Remitted to Treasurer	2,359.00	
Penalties Remitted	<u>221.00</u>	

Total Remitted	2,580.00
Abated Per List	2,360.00
Uncollected per list	<u>2,371.00</u>
TOTAL	7,311.00

1977 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected 1/1/79	1,170.00
Added Taxes	30.00
Penalties Collected	<u>8.00</u>
TOTAL	1,208.00
Remitted to Treasurer	100.00
Penalties Remitted	<u>8.00</u>
Total Remitted	108.00
Abated Per List	450.00
Uncollected per list	<u>650.00</u>
TOTAL	1,208.00

Report of Tax Sales and Unredeemed Taxes:

	Tax Accounts for:		Prior
	1978	1977	
Uncollected 1/1/79			
Tax Sales 1979	145,287.28	71,019.05	25,622.92
Overpayment	2,342.70		
	.01		
Interest Collected	1,230.23	2,839.56	5,984.10
TOTAL	148,860.22	73,858.61	31,607.02
Remitted Taxes to Treasurer	45,273.36	37,375.20	23,803.51
Interest Remitted	1,230.23	2,839.56	5,984.10
Abated	493.39	3,271.39	914.41
Deeded	352.48	309.24	285.81
Error		.40	
Uncollected 12/31/79	101,510.76	30,063.22	618.79
TOTAL	148,860.22	73,858.61	31,607.02

Summary of Town Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 1, 1979		\$ 99,012.63
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Tax Collector		4,664,188.64
Town Clerk		241,522.05
Elections and Registrations		129.00
Permits and Licenses		847.51
Rental Income, Town Buildings		2,728.60
Souhegan Regional Land Fill		4,000.00
Trustees of the Cemetery		1,975.00
Trustees of the Trust Fund	31,376.76	
Gifts	<u>150.00</u>	31,526.76
Zoning Department		22,025.67
Amherst Highway Department		15,510.91
Amherst Police Department		10,176.54
Amherst Fire Department		2,669.67
Amherst Recreation Commission	14,351.60	
Babooasic Lake Park	<u>7,407.44</u>	21,759.04
Amherst Rescue Squad		2,380.40
Amherst Civil Defense		742.21
Tree Committee		166.00
Fourth of July Committee		810.50
Conservation Commission		5.00
Return of Duplicate Checks		2,774.04
Cancelled Checks		15.94
Insurance		814.72
Town Poor	118.90	
Old Age Assistance	<u>572.25</u>	691.15
Sale of Town Property		2,595.87
Town Hall and Office Expenses		1,854.75
Town Loan to School		100,000.00
State of New Hampshire		
N.H. Gas Refund	3,145.65	
Gas Subsidy	60,986.59	
Business Profits Tax	247,249.36	
Interest and Dividends	82,039.13	
Rooms & Meals Tax	86,474.42	
Forest Land Reimbursement	20.02	
Bank Stock	18,245.29	
Railroad Stock	<u>676.13</u>	498,836.59
	Total Receipts	5,630,746.56
Cash on hand, January 1, 1979		99,012.63
Revenue to the General Fund		5,530,746.56
Certificate of Deposit to the General Fund		3,510,605.48
Interest from CD's to General Fund		19,305.73
Excess Town Funds to General Fund		285,000.00
Revenue Sharing to General Fund		18,167.22
Police Gift Savings Account to General Fund		157.90
Amherst Rescue to General Fund		94.95
Conservation Commission Account to General Fund		50.00
School Loan		<u>100,000.00</u>
		9,563,140.47
Less Selectmens orders paid		9,483,031.67
Balance in Treasurers Book 12/31/79		80,108.80

Balance in Bank 12/31/79	110,064.02
Deposits not credited	63.75
	<u>110,127.77</u>
Outstanding Checks	30,018.97
	<u>80,108.80</u>

Savings Account Investments

Amherst Rescue Account	
Savings 1/1/79	189.99
Deposits	699.50
Interest	20.85
	<u>910.34</u>
Withdrawals	94.95
Balance 12/31/79	<u>815.39</u>
Excess Town Funds Account	
Savings 1/1/79	102,757.37
Deposits	405,949.02
Interest	2,397.73
	<u>511,104.12</u>
Withdrawals	385,000.00
Balance 12/31/79	<u>126,104.12</u>
Bowlan Lumber	
Savings 1/1/79	1,962.31
Deposits	416.00
Interest	80.22
	<u>2,458.53</u>
Withdrawals	1,986.63
Balance 12/31/79	<u>471.90</u>
Riley Brothers	
Savings 4/17/79	162.00
Interest	5.21
Balance 12/31/79	<u>167.21</u>
William Crowley	
Savings 4/18/79	100.00
Interest	3.21
Balance 12/31/79	<u>103.21</u>
Amherst Recreation - Baboosic Account	
Savings 1/1/79	239.33
Deposits	774.48
Interest	29.92
Balance 12/31/79	<u>1,043.73</u>
Amherst Conservation Commission Account	
Savings 1/1/79	11,920.32
Deposits	159.75
Interest	675.66
	<u>12,755.73</u>
Withdrawals	50.00
Balance 12/31/79	<u>12,705.73</u>

Amherst Conservation Land Purchase Account	
Savings 1/1/79	3,873.69
Interest	219.01
	<u>4,092.70</u>
Amherst Police Gift Account	
Savings 1/1/79	505.21
Deposits	530.00
Interest	24.79
	<u>1,060.00</u>
Withdrawals	157.90
Balance 12/31/79	<u>902.10</u>
Revenue Sharing Account	
Savings 1/1/79	17,771.50
Deposits	35,202.26
Interest	1,771.32
	<u>54,745.08</u>
Withdrawals	18,167.22
Balance 12/31/79	<u>36,577.86</u>
R & R Lumber	
Savings 7/9/79	611.10
Interest	15.59
Balance 12/31/79	<u>626.69</u>
John Taylor	
Savings 8/1/79	310.00
Interest	6.85
Balance 12/31/79	<u>316.85</u>
Rodney Bly	
Savings 10/1/79	17.50
Balance 12/31/79	<u>17.50</u>
Monadnock Forest Products	
Savings 10/23/79	750.00
Interest	6.61
Balance 12/31/79	<u>756.61</u>
<u>CD Investments 1979</u>	
CD Investments	6,250,724.13
Interest	104,773.92
	<u>6,355,498.05</u>
CD's to General Fund	3,914,423.57
Interest to Excess Town Funds Account	130,411.63
CD's Reinvested	889,179.48
Outstanding CD's	1,421,483.37
	<u>6,355,498.05</u>

Schedule A

Cash in hands of Treasurer on deposit in General Fund 1/1/80	80,108.80
Revenue Sharing Savings Account	36,577.86
Amherst Recreation - Baboosic Account	1,043.73
Conservation Commission Savings Account	12,705.73

Conservation Land Purchase Account	4,092.70
Amherst Police Gift Account	902.10
Amherst Rescue - CPR Account	815.39
Excess Town Funds Savings Account	126,104.12
Bowlan Lumber Escrow Account	471.90
Riley Brothers Lumber Escrow Account	167.21
William Crowley Escrow Account	103.21
R & R Lumber Escrow Account	626.69
John Taylor Escrow Account	316.85
Rodney Bly Escrow Account	17.50
Monadnock Forest Products Escrow	756.61
CD-1194	156,000.00
CD-1197	112,483.37
CD-170001	185,806.54
CD-2334	190,000.00
CD-2339	125,000.00
CD-17-0003	130,000.00
CD-1203	205,000.00
CD-1205	278,000.00
CD-1206	200,000.00
CD-2346	100,000.00
CD-170004	115,000.00
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	2,062,100.31

MARION M. SORTEVIK, Treasurer

Federal Revenue Sharing Entitlements

Unexpended Balance 12/31/78				\$18,757.76
1979 Entitlements:				34,216.00
Interest Earned				<u>1,771.32</u>
Total Available				\$54,745.08
<b>EXPENDED:</b>				
	Unexpend.			
	1/1/79	Approp. '79	Expended '79	Unexpended
Article 8				
Audit '78	3,500		3,500.00	
Article 10				
Cruiser	6,000		6,000.00	
Article 9 of 1979				
	7,824 Police		7,824.00	
	13,000 Car		11,783.35	
	950 Fire		950.00	
	500 Walk		500.00	
	1,500 Library		1,500.00	
	6,000 Renovations		4,644.65	
	350 Traffic device		320.79	
	2,600 Radio		2,300.00	
	<u>32,724</u>		<u>29,822.79</u>	
Article 14	<u>5,000</u>		<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total	<u>9,500</u>	<u>37,724</u>	<u>44,322.79</u>	
Total Expended			44,322.79	
Amount available for allocation			<u>10,422.29</u>	
			<u>54,745.08</u>	

Detailed Statement of Payments

Town Officers' Salaries

Gross Appropriation \$27,830.00

Expended: \$27,829.86

Town Office Expense

Gross Appropriation \$60,942.00  
Accounts Payable 3,715.00  
Income 1,303.41  
\$65,960.41

Expended: \$58,569.11

Brick School

Gross Appropriation \$ 7,560.00  
Accounts Payable 275.00  
\$ 7,835.00

Expended: \$ 8,937.72

Town Hall

Gross Appropriation \$16,370.00  
Accounts Payable 95.00  
Income 29.77  
\$16,494.77

Expended: \$15,929.84

Elections

Gross Appropriation \$ 2,010.00  
Accounts Payable 6.61  
Income 120.00  
\$ 2,136.61

Expended: \$ 2,244.25

Legal

Gross Appropriation \$14,000.00  
Accounts Payable 2,397.10  
\$16,397.10

Expended: \$16,685.15

Insurance

Gross Appropriation \$79,325.00  
Income 814.72  
\$80,139.72

Expended: \$75,406.98

Maps & Survey

Gross Appropriation \$ 3,000.00  
Income 261.75  
\$ 3,261.75

Expended: \$ 2,217.85

Gross Appropriation	<u>N.H. Retirement</u>	\$ 8,800.00
Expended:		\$ 8,941.27
Gross Appropriation	<u>Social Security</u>	\$18,000.00
Expended:		\$16,720.37
Gross Appropriation	<u>Employees Retirement</u>	\$ 6,500.00
Expended:		\$ 6,358.14
Gross Appropriation	<u>Police Department</u>	\$171,898.00
Accounts Receivable Due		632.00
Income		9,117.19
		<u>\$181,647.19</u>
Expended:		\$192,270.64
Plus Accounts Receivable 1978		200.00
		<u>\$192,470.64</u>
Gross Appropriation	<u>Fire Department</u>	\$61,320.00
Accounts Payable		9.94
Income		2,684.56
		<u>\$64,014.50</u>
Expended:		\$65,627.56
Gross Appropriation	<u>Street Lights</u>	\$ 8,000.00
Expended:		\$ 8,629.58
Expended:	<u>Gas Inventory</u>	\$ 7,183.47
Stock Used		-2,642.11
Forwarded to 1980		<u>\$ 4,541.36</u>
Gross Appropriation	<u>Dog Damage</u>	\$ 7,445.00
Expended:		\$ 6,603.30
Gross Appropriation	<u>Civil Defense</u>	\$ 1,555.00
Income		742.21
		<u>\$ 2,297.21</u>
Expended:		\$ 1,606.64
Gross Appropriation	<u>Ambulance</u>	\$14,110.00
Accounts Payable		293.35
Income		315.40
		<u>\$14,718.75</u>

Expended:		\$13,106.79
Gross Appropriation	<u>Communication Center</u>	\$14,958.00
Expended:		\$14,704.31
Gross Appropriation	<u>Health Department</u>	\$ 600.00
Expended:		\$ 600.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Land Fill</u>	\$60,136.00
Expended:		\$60,135.68
Gross Appropriation	<u>Souhegan Nursing</u>	\$ 4,500.00
Expended:		\$ 4,500.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>Nashua Mental Health</u>	\$ 1,024.00
Expended:		\$ 1,024.00
Gross Appropriation	<u>General Expense of Highway</u>	\$34,266.00
Income		917.37
		<u>\$35,183.37</u>
Expended:		\$48,526.81
Gross Appropriation	<u>Land Fill Expenses</u>	\$11,347.00
Expended:		\$10,050.95
Gross Appropriation	<u>Oiling</u>	\$57,921.00
Expended:		\$56,220.87
Gross Appropriation	<u>Summer Maintenance</u>	\$56,719.00
Income		171.15
		<u>\$56,890.15</u>
Expended:		\$55,851.24
Gross Appropriation	<u>Winter Maintenance</u>	\$125,605.00
Accounts Payable		502.34
		<u>\$126,107.34</u>
Expended:		\$120,623.64

	<u>Road Improvement</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$13,450.00
Income	<u>5,000.00</u>
	<u>\$18,450.00</u>

Expended:	\$18,820.10
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	<u>Parks</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 8,622.00

Expended:	\$ 8,680.05
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	<u>Cemeteries</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 9,787.00
Income	<u>1.51</u>
	<u>\$ 9,788.51</u>

Expended:	\$10,186.93
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	<u>TRA</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 2,546.03
Income	<u>9,360.37</u>
	<u>\$11,906.40</u>

Expended:	\$11,930.00
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	<u>Gas Subsidy</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$62,337.25

Expended:	\$62,390.07
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	<u>Grader Fund</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 8,500.00

Expended:	\$ 8,500.00
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	<u>Truck Reserve</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$15,000.00

Expended:	\$15,000.00
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	<u>Special Highway Equipment</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$16,125.00

Expended:	\$16,125.00
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	<u>Welfare</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 9,000.00
Recovery	<u>118.90</u>
	<u>\$ 9,118.90</u>

Expended:	\$ 3,388.01
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	<u>Old Age Assistance</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 6,000.00

Expended:	\$ 3,417.93
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Soldiers Aid  
\$ 500.00

### Gross Appropriation

Expended: \$ 0.00

	<u>Recreation</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$20,204.00
Accounts Payable	638.13
Income	739.05
	<u><u>\$21,581.18</u></u>

Expended: \$21,504.95

	<u>Conservation</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,365.00
Accounts Payable	146.34
Income	10.94
	<u><u>\$ 1,522.28</u></u>

Expended: \$ 1,522.28

Gross Appropriation	<u>Tree Committee</u>
Income	\$ 2,800.00
	166.00
	<u>\$ 2,966.00</u>

Expended: \$ 2,483.50

	<u>Baboosic Lake</u>
Gross Appropriation	\$13,406.00
Accounts Payable	151.53
Income	538.20
	<u>\$14,095.73</u>

Expended: \$12,412.91

Adult Education  
\$ 1,148.89  
1,952.35  
        
\$ 3,101.24

Expended:	\$ 2,113.58
Account forwarded to 1980	987.66
	<u>\$ 3,101.24</u>

Interest on Long Term Debt

Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,200.00
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Expended: 0.00

Library  
\$65,860.00  
555.77  
\$66,415.77

Expended: \$ 66,414.77

Hydrant Rental  
\$ 1,875.00  
1,755.00

		\$ 3,630.00
Expended:		\$ 3,630.00
	<u>Memorial Day</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 600.00	
Expended:		\$ 600.00
	<u>Fourth of July</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 1,800.00	
Accounts Payable	102.61	
Income	810.50	
	<u>\$ 2,713.11</u>	
Expended:		\$ 2,421.92
	<u>Nashua Regional Planning</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 2,085.00	
Expended:		\$ 2,085.00
	<u>Planning Board</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 5,004.00	
Expended:		\$ 4,973.72
	<u>Board of Adjustment</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 2,240.00	
Expended:		\$ 2,881.98
	<u>Zoning Board</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 36,104.00	
Expended:		\$ 36,526.07
	<u>Contingency</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$10,000.00	
Accounts Payable	750.00	
	<u>\$10,750.00</u>	
Expended:		\$ 4,353.71
	<u>Article 13 - Souhegan Bridge</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 7,695.39	
Expended:		0.00
	<u>Article 10 of 1978 - Crusier</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 6,000.00	
Expended:		\$ 6,000.00
	<u>Article 11 - Police-Rescue</u>	
Gross Appropriation	\$ 9,405.00	
Expended:		\$ 2,118.49

Article 20 - Wilkins Field

Gross Appropriation	\$25,000.00
Income	50.00
	<u>\$25,050.00</u>

Expended \$ 1,714.50

Article 10 of 1979 - Pavillion

Gross Appropriation	\$17,500.00
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Expended: \$17,500.00

Article 11 of 1979 - Town Barn

Gross Appropriation	\$24,000.00
Income	60.00
	<u>\$24,060.00</u>

Expended: \$24,060.00

Article 13 - Master Plan

Gross Appropriation	\$ 2,000.00
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Expended: \$ 1,781.43

Article 14 - Cash Registers

Gross Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00
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Expended: \$ 5,000.00

Article 15 - Bridge Capital Reserve

Gross Appropriation	\$60,000.00
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Expended: \$60,000.00

Article 21 - Conservation Land

Gross Appropriation	\$80,000.00
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Expended: 0.00

Contra Accounts

Income	<u>Ski Swap</u>
	\$ 4,338.75

Expended: \$ 3,934.57  
Earmarked Fund 404.18  
\$ 4,338.75

Uniform Account

Income	\$ 3,095.50
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Expended: \$ 2,989.60  
Earmarked Fund 105.90  
\$ 3,095.50

Baseball Account

Income	\$ 1,036.00
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Expended: 80.00

Tennis Account  
\$ 2,300.00

Income

Expended: \$ 2,300.00

	<u>To Trustees</u>
Perpetual Care	\$ 150.00
Sale of lots	750.00
Burials	<u>1,225.00</u>
	<u>\$ 2,125.00</u>

To Trustees: \$ 2,125.00

Refunds

Expended: \$ 8,945.44

	<u>Cash Short</u>
Recreation Income	\$ 16.00

Purchases from Special Accounts  
Capital Reserve

From Cemetery Capital Reserve to Cemetery	
Debt Account	\$ 2,500.00
Motor Vehicle Capital Reserve	
Truck	\$ 6,726.56
Equipment Capital Reserve	<u>25,909.06</u>
	<u>\$32,635.62</u>
	<u>\$35,135.62</u>

Purchases from Special Funds

Bahoosic	\$ 94.10
Rescue	208.50
Conservation	147.05
Police	<u>167.75</u>
	<u>\$ 617.40</u>

Tax Anticipation Notes

Expend Amherst Bank & Trust Company \$100,000.00

School District of Amherst

Expend 1979 Appropriation	\$2,078,872.48
Interest on note	<u>127.78</u>
	<u>\$2,079,000.26</u>

1980 Appropriation \$1,468,642.50  
Due 1980 Appropriation \$2,308,331.50

Yield Tax

Expend to State \$ 1,945.57

Hillsboro County Tax

Expended \$258,712.00

Amherst Village District

Expended \$ 9,719.00

1979 Tax Sale

To Collector - July Sale	\$147,175.28
September Sale	2,356.70
Resident Tax	2,320.00

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Town of Amherst, chartered in 1760, is under the jurisdiction of the State of New Hampshire. It is also subject to federal laws and regulations. The citizens of Amherst, through Town Meetings, is the legislative body which passes on budgets, local ordinances, and sets the general pattern for the Town.

The Board of Selectmen, elected by the registered voters, is the executive branch of the local government which carries out the duties for the operations of the Town as prescribed by law, and for the mandates voted favorably at Town Meeting. The various functions of the Town are divided into Departments, Boards, Commissions (a few of which are autonomous), and Committees. The School District, and Water District in the village, are also autonomous except that the Town, through taxes, collects funds for their operations. This Board of electmen has been very cognizant of the effects of inflation, and has tried to spend your tax dollars prudently. The proposed budget was also prepared in the spirit of economy, consistent with the services required by the citizens, and every item of expense was carefully scrutinized and challenged.

At the 1979 Town Meeting, it was voted to:

- (a) Create, establish, and maintain a Mosquito Control District. A Commission of three members was appointed, and has rendered a comprehensive report with a proposed budget request to carry out the intent of Article 4.
- (b) Raze the damaged portion, including the two-storied section, of the Baboosic Pavillion, and to improve the remaining portion including the beach. This was accomplished, and the result has changed the area from a dangerous liability to a respectable and useful property.
- (c) Construct an addition of two truck bays to the Town Barn. This was accomplished and is a credit to the Town.
- (d) Further develop a Master Plan. This has progressed considerably and is much closer to a conclusion.
- (e) Purchase two cash registers for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector. This was done, and they are in operation.
- (f) Carry out the intent of Article 16, as passed in the 1979 Town Meeting, to change the fiscal year of the Town from a calendar year to a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year. This has resulted in an eighteen months budget running from Jan. 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981. The budgeting process was more complex, and this budget is presented to the Town at this Town Meeting for your approval.

The Town is in excellent financial shape. There is no bonded indebtedness for the Town, but the School District has \$2,060,000 of outstanding bonds to be repaid over a period of years. All accounts payable are paid promptly and regularly, and the Town has an excellent credit record accordingly. Expenditures for the year were controlled and were less than the budget, resulting in a surplus. Not a penny was spent on interest for borrowed money, and due to good management of cash, a total of \$98,465.83 was received in interest on various types of deposits.

The personnel in Town government is of high calibre and the Town is operated on the absolute minimum of staff. With increasing growth and complexity, some staff will have to be added from time to time as the need requires. But where could we put them - we have run out of space. This is one reason a new building to house Police/Rescue/Civil Preparedness is proposed and badly needed.

Buildings and equipment owned by the Town have been maintained quite well, and in a Warrant Article this year is a small item to keep the Chapel (or Annex as it is sometimes called) in good repair. In the very near future, the Brick School must be repaired and renovated to keep it viable.

Negotiations between the Selectmen and the owners of the Bon Terrain Industrial Park have been conducted to cooperate on a water system for the industrial area and perhaps the southern part of the Town. Such a system is crucial for the development of that area, and would be of immense benefit to the tax base in order to hold taxes down. The development of the industrial area would have a very minimal effect on the school population, and since it is the school appropriations which take a large share of your tax dollars, the net effect would be more tax dollars with little increase in expenditures.

What does the future hold for Amherst? There will undoubtedly be some growth in population and in structures (residential, commercial, industrial). It must be an orderly growth. This is a function of the Planning Board. Of paramount importance is a Master Plan which encompasses every facet of Town Government, whereby matters are planned for in an orderly manner extending over a period of years, and not done on a piece-meal, crisis basis as has been done in the past. With such a Plan, projects would have priorities, and each year an appropriation would be made, in total, for necessary projects to be done next year, the following year, and each year thereafter. This would be in the nature of a Capital Reserve Fund, added to each year, so that the tax rate would hold reasonably steady and not be subject to major fluctuations as big projects arise. Also, citizens would know what to expect and not be faced with voting choices about which they have little prior knowledge.

Some of the matters that lie ahead are:

1. Bridges and roads must be replaced, repaired, or built on a regular annual basis in an orderly manner according to priorities based on need.
2. Space must be provided for our Rescue Squad, our Police Department, our Civil Preparedness, our Library, our Town Offices, and meeting rooms for the various civic organizations which contribute so much to Town life.
3. Within a span of three years the Town may need a Town Manager or an Executive Assistant. Unless several Selectmen can devote a large amount of time to Town affairs, the scope is too large for part-time Selectmen to run the Town. Prepare for an overall cost of about \$50,000 per year.
4. By 1982, a complete reassessment of taxable properties should be made in order to equalize valuations and keep abreast of economic conditions. The last reassessment was done in 1974. Prepare to spend at least \$150,000.

5. It is close to the time that a full-time Assessor should be hired instead of the Selectmen, plus an outside firm, doing this function.
6. Additional playing fields for recreation, especially in parts of Town now not so served, should be provided.
7. Additional conservation areas should be acquired in various locations in Town, for conservation purposes but not for the control of growth.
8. A small computer system for all Town records should be installed and maintained.
9. At some point, a communications system center for Rescue Squad, Fire, Police, and Highway in Town should be provided.
10. Down the road, two or three new Water Districts, with wells, should be created to serve the sections of Town which now have to depend on private wells.
11. How long can we depend on individual septic systems without having an effect on our water supply? Someday, a sewerage system must be contemplated.

Lastly, I am concerned about the philosophy of government today, at the local level, at the State level, and at the Federal level. We have reached the cross-roads where we have to decide whether we want the competitive, free-enterprise system with individual liberty and freedom on which our Country was founded and based, or whether we want the Social Democrat or Welfare State where Government rules every aspect of our lives and takes away individual initiative in favor of special interest groups and the masses. It is up to us individually and collectively to decide in which direction we want to go.

The Town of Amherst, and the Board of Selectmen, owe a great debt of gratitude to the Town Staff and employees; the various Departments; the members of all Commissions and Committees; and to the wonderful volunteer groups for the Rescue Squad, the Fire Department, and organizations who contribute so much to make Amherst a model community in which to live.

BERT H. MCGILL, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

### Winter Maintenance - Appropriation \$125,605.00

The Winter Maintenance program covers all the Highway Department work from mid-November to mid-March. All clearing, due to snow and ice (21 storms) is charged to this account. During this winter we experienced some of the worst flooding and ice storms that we have had in 23 years. We spent many hours trying to correct the problems connected with these storms. The town equipment consists of one grader, one tractor, five trucks and eight hired trucks with plows which we use for clearing and maintaining our roads. We give special attention to school bus routes, areas where children walk to school or wait for buses. The snow removal at the Wilkins, Clark and Old Brick Schools, both Fire Stations, Library, Town Hall and some of the sidewalks in the Village also comes under this category. In addition, we have recently accepted 3.3 miles of road from the State of New Hampshire which will require maintenance by our department.

We have cut the amount of rock salt which we apply to the roads and have increased the amount of sand. This does not give us a savings, inasmuch as it requires more cleanup time in the Spring and takes longer before the roads are safe for travel during the storms. With this in mind, we ask the residents' cooperation in reducing the speed of their vehicles while traveling on our roads during the stormy season.

The winter maintenance account also covers cutting trees and chipping brush in the areas of town where future construction is planned. This year we did additional work on the Pine Top Road, Christian Hill Road and Boston Post Road North and South. We also cut trees on Courthouse Road, Mont Vernon Road and Old Manchester Road.

### Summer Maintenance - Appropriation \$56,719.00

All our general maintenance work from mid-March to December 1 is covered under this account. This includes the grading and York raking of our 34 gravel roads several times during these months. We also spot gravel, maintain and replace culverts and install catch basins, cut banks and ditches, maintain shoulders throughout our black road system, machine and hand cut brush and trees, set posts and signs on all roads.

In 1979 we spot graveled Old Lyndeborough Road and Boston Post Road, North. We worked on the shoulders on Caldwell Drive. We installed a catch basin and culvert on the World War I Commons and Baboosic Lake Road. We repaired the culverts on Juniper Drive and Chestnut Hill Road. We performed additional culvert work on Highland Drive, Horace Greeley Road, Stearns Road, Dodge Road, New Boston Road, Boston Post Road, South, Columbia Drive and Old Lyndeborough Road.

We hand cut trees and brush on Thornton Ferry Road II, Ponemah Hill Road, New Boston Road, Amherst Street, Cricket Corner Road, Pavillion Road, Broadway, Baboosic Lake Road, Mack Hill Road, Pond Parish Road, Brook Road, Thornton Ferry Road I, the road to the Pump House plus countless intersections for improved visibility. We machine cut approximately 100 miles of brush along town roads.

The replacement of street signs and posts required many hours. During the Fall we clean out ditches and culverts, which takes approximately four weeks of our work program.

Oiling - Appropriation \$57,921.00

The cost of asphalt and hot top used for the resurfacing of roads in 1979 was \$34,016.75. These roads were: Courthouse Road, parts of Middle Street, Mack Hill, Dodge Road, Horace Greeley Road, Brook Road, Chestnut Hill Road, Old Manchester Road, part of Walnut Hill Road, parts of Stearns Road, Seavern's Bridge Road, Merrimack Road, Baboosic Lake Road, Cricket Corner Road, North Meadow Road, Old Nashua Road and some of the shoulders on Woodland Drive and Buckridge Drive.

The cost of patching all black roads and sweeping of all roads to be reoiled is covered under this category. 4700 gallons of waste oil were applied to the gravel roads where dust is a problem.

Town Road Aid - Appropriation \$19,519.54

The T.R.A. program was originated by the State in 1947 for the purpose of helping towns improve their roads. The State funds 85% of the cost with the balance being raised by the town. It is jointly supervised by the Town Road Agent and the State. In 1979 under this program we rebuilt 900 feet of the Baboosic Lake Road near the Sweitzer property.

Gas Subsidy - \$62,337.25

This program was initiated by the State in 1971 for the maintenance, construction or reconstruction of town roads. The funds for this program are 100% State contributed. In 1979 we rebuilt approximately 500 feet of Stearns Road, 1350 feet of Horace Greeley Road near the junction of New South Drive; 1910 feet of Cricket Corner Road from the junction of Merrimack Road to the Boston Post Road, South; work was also continued on the Old Manchester Road.

Road Improvement - Appropriation \$13,450.00

In 1979 we spent \$15,602.60 for asphalt used in the shimming of several areas on the Horace Greeley Road and the east end of Merrimack Road. In conjunction with the Amherst Village Water District, the water lines on several of the streets were shimmed in the Village, for which the water district paid \$5,000 into this account. It is hoped that this joint shimming program of water mains will continue in 1980.

Parks and Playgrounds - \$8,622.00

The work performed under this account covers the maintenance of the Town Commons, two playgrounds, the Old Brick School yard, Wilkins and Clark School grounds and the Library. This includes the raking and gathering of leaves, mowing and trimming of grass, maintenance of park fences and the collection of trash from the commons. In addition, this year we cut some trees and trimmed all the shrubs on the Commons as well as the schools. We provide trash barrels both on the Commons and at the schools during the summertime which we feel has helped in keeping the village picked up. We wish to thank you for your cooperation in this program.

Cemeteries - \$9,787.00

The funds in this category are spent to maintain Amherst's Cemeteries, namely, Meadowview Cemetery, the Old Cemetery behind Town Hall, Cricket Corner Cemetery and Chestnut Hill Cemetery. In addition to raking, trimming and mowing of the cemeteries, we have also loamed and seeded many areas of Meadowview Cemetery. During 1979 we made 19 burials in Meadowview and one in Cricket Corner.

When you are considering our budget for 1980, we would like to make you aware of some of the problems we are faced with,

namely inflation. The price of corrugated steel pipe has increased 60%, gasoline 17.5% in the last three months of 1979, aluminum pipe 21%, salt 13%, asphalt 24% and truck rates have increased 13%. We are trying to continue the services which we have given to the town in the past, however, we are also bearing in mind the increase in appropriations required to meet these services.

Your Highway Department Garage is located on Dodge Road. Our office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our work day is from 6:30 am to 3 p.m. At this time, we are considering a four day work week to start in the summer of 1980 for the summer months. During serious storms we try to have one of our personnel answering telephone calls at 673-2317. The Road Agent's home telephone is 673-1293. Our staff consists of one road agent and nine regular employees, comprised of light equipment operators, heavy equipment operators, laborers and secretary. In addition, we have had one Ceta funded employee and two summer employees funded under the College Work Study Program of the University of New Hampshire. We also employed two high school students part time during the summer.

In closing, I would like to thank the Selectmen and the Road Commission for their help and guidance during 1979 and to the taxpayers of Amherst in supporting the Department's projects. We appreciate receiving your comments and suggestions on how your Highway Department can better serve you.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. CROCKER, Road Agent

AMHERST FIRE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report - 1979

The Department responded to 136 calls during the year of which 2 were major structure fires, as compared to 121 calls last year with 4 major.

Amherst Fire Calls

Smoke Investigation	10	Structure (Minor)	1
Light Ballast	1	Structure (Major)	2
Oil Burner	5	Electrical	7
Car Fire	6	Miscellaneous	3
*False Alarm	22	Brush	16
Chimney	19	Grass	6
Gas Wash	3	Dishwasher	2
Car Accident	6	Log	1
Boat	1	Oven	2
Service Call	1	Truck	1
Tree	1	Rubbish	1
Machine Fire	1	Dryer	1

\*Majority were home smoke alarms

Mutual aid was received 9 times and supplied 9 times out of town.

The Amherst Fire Department is composed of four engine companies which man and equip 2 stations - our Central Station

in the Village and the South Station on Stearns Road. Listed below are the Stations, their equipment, officers and the number of calls to which each engine responded.

Central Station

Engine One: responded to 87 calls.

Captain David Hanlon  
Lt. Marty Champagne

Engine Two: responded to 44 calls.

Captain John Moorhouse  
Lt. Walt Nelson

Engine Three: responded to 117 calls.

Captain Mike Riccitelli  
Lt. Art McKinney

Engine Four: responded to 44 calls.

1977 International 4 wheel drive brush truck

Tanker One: responded to 8 calls.

A military vehicle which has the water capacity of 2,000 gallons.

South Station

Engine Five: responded to 77 calls.

Captain Fred Yunggebauer  
Lt. Willis Maloon

Tanker Two: responded to 8 calls.

Same as Tanker one in Central Station

Utility Van: responded to 30 calls

1972 vehicle which is equipped with a cascade system and other equipment.

To report a fire, dial 673-3131. This is the number of the Communications Center which handles all fire calls for Amherst 24 hours a day. Please give property owner's name, the street name, house number and the town when reporting a fire.

A combined drill with all companies is held the first Monday of each month. Each company holds a practice drill on one of the following Mondays of that month with a fire Ward in attendance.

The Wards wish to thank members of the 4 engine companies for all their time and efforts in 1979. Also, our thanks to the Selectmen, Barbara Landry, Margaret Drobot and the people of Amherst for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL STRICKLAND, Chief  
RICHARD CROCKER, 1st Assistant Chief  
DAVID HERLIHY, JR., 2nd Assistant Chief

AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

1979

Police Roster

Chief John T. Osborn, Jr.

Sgt. Steven C. Sexton	Officer Steven Kemp
Officer David Bode	Officer Gary MacGuire
Officer Patrick Doherty	Officer Harold Wheeler
Officer Richard Dolan	Officer Michael White

Special Officers

Kathryn Bachman	Peter Lyon
Nancy Chase	Robert McHatton
Nancy Demers	Patricia Mellett
Albert Junkins	William York

1979 Summer Cadet - David Chacos

Resigned during 1979:  
Special Officer Suzanne Alger

Incidents reported to Police in 1979:

7	Abandoned Vehicles	6	Lost Property
462	Alarms	17	Lost or Stolen plate
274	Arrests	107	Medical Assist
8	Assaults	23	Missing Persons
253	Assist Motorists	137	Motor Vehicle complaints
15	Bad checks	226	Mutual Aid
38	Burglaries	37	Nuisance Calls
272	Criminal Mischief	2	OHRV complaints
4	Criminal Threatening	653	Open doors/Open windows
21	Criminal Trespass	100	Pistol Permit Applic.
5	Death Reports	10	Prowler
11	Disabled Vehicles	4	Recovered stolen property
460	Dog Complaints	1	Returned property
27	Disturbances	17	Stray Livestock
75	Fire Calls	97	Susp. persons/Vehicles
116	Found property	149	Theft
1,099	Incidents	15	Towed Vehicles
166	Juvenile Detentions	146	Transfers & relays
5,234	Incidents in 1979	2,737	Incidents in 1975
4,723	Incidents in 1978	2,058	Incidents in 1974
4,371	Incidents in 1977	1,064	Incidents in 1973
3,593	Incidents in 1976	716	Incidents in 1972

Although statistics signify 1979 as being productive, it only reflects the routine activity of the police department. Equally important, but far less publicized, are the Public Relation programs which have been improved and expanded.

Officer Bill, our school safety program, through acquisition of appropriate films on Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety, include kindergarten and day care school through the Middle School.

Amherst Police Explorer Post 194, for ages 14 through 21, convenes on Wednesday evenings at the Wilkins School from 7 - 9 P.M. This program is designed to give youth exposure and training in the law enforcement/career field. This insight could assist individuals in determining their goal in life while still in high school.

Our concern about drugs prevails. In cooperation with the Milford Rotary Club a brochure titled "A Reason for Tears" will be disseminated to every residence in Amherst, as well as surrounding towns. This is informative and not designed as a scare document.

The Crime Prevention Program continues but citizens fail to take advantage of this service. We will come to your home or place of business, perform a thorough security check and provide a written report of our findings with recommendations.

Even out of a tragic experience some good may come. "Good Morning Amherst" was conceived. It's designed primarily for individuals with physical impairment or those who live alone and participation is strictly voluntary. It requires a single telephone call to the Amherst Police Department, 673-4900 between 8 - 10 A.M. daily, just to let us know you are alright. Should you forget, we will call you after 10 A.M. If there is no answer, a police officer will respond to verify that everything is alright.

We strive to improve, your continued support is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. OSBORN, JR., Chief of Police

#### HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Amherst Highway Safety Committee consists of the following members:

John T. Osborn, Jr. - Chief of Police  
Marshall Strickland - Fire Chief  
Gustav Just - Chief of Rescue  
Richard Crocker - Road Agent  
Roy Maston - Civil Preparedness  
Beverly P. Smith - Selectman  
Robert Prew - Citizen  
Joseph H.S. Hoag - School Board Member

Two street light installations for illuminating hazardous intersections were completed:

1. Route 101A and Caldwell Drive
2. Old Mont Vernon Road and New Boston Road

Proposed alterations including lighting should reduce traffic confusion on Route 101 by the Meeting Place.

The Route 101A and Route 122 intersection project has been awarded to a Nashua firm for design and is approximately 70% complete. Advertising for construction bids is scheduled for August with a possibility of construction starting in the fall of 1980.

#### DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

In March of 1979, the Town of Amherst adopted the State Dog Control Law. This was beneficial to the Town as monies collected from fines for dogs running at large went into town coffers rather than to the Milford District Court. The amount of fines paid in 1979 was \$320.00.

At the end of the year there were 1,268 licensed dogs in town. There were 460 complaints this year compared to 599 in 1978.

A synopsis of complaints would reveal that there were:

259 nuisance dogs  
82 dogs impounded  
21 struck by cars  
17 people were bitten.

I would like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in the past year. It is this cooperation that will continue to reduce the number of dog complaints in the future.

NANCY DE. AS, Dog Officer

#### DIRECTOR OF CIVIL PREPAREDNESS

The duty of the Department of Civil Preparedness is to prepare the Town for major emergencies. This is done by having an up to date Emergencies Operations Plan.

We are now working to increase the towns plan into the area of Energy Emergencies. Energy Emergencies can include both fast-developing fuel shortages and by rising cost of fuels and electricity. We will be planning for relief of hardships caused by fuel shortages or power outages - such as unheated homes, no gas or electricity for refrigeration and cooking.

The Department of Civil Preparedness would like to have volunteers to work on this project. If interested, please contact Director Roy Maston.

Do you know how to safely "shut down" your home if you must temporarily evacuate; for example, in winter because of a fuel or power shortage, what to do when your home freezer stops. For information and assistance contact the Department of Civil Preparedness, P.O. Box 495 or call Director Roy Maston.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY E. MASTON, Director, Civil Preparedness

### AMHERST RESCUE SQUAD

Total calls for assistance from the Rescue Squad decreased from 371 in 1978 to 315 in 1979 and only 327 persons were assisted compared with 341 the previous year. Of the 317 persons assisted, 288 were transported to medical facilities. Squad members also demonstrated the vehicles and equipment 17 times during the year and were called upon to render medical assistance (without need of the ambulance) 18 times.

#### 1979 RESCUE SQUAD CALLS

Response to Emergency Scene	249
Transports & Transfers	47
Other	19
Demonstrations	17
Medical Assists	18

Squad membership remains, as it has for the past several years, at about 40 members with a continuing need for 8 to 10 new members to fill the roster. With the exception of new members who have not yet had the opportunity to take the Emergency Medical Technician - Ambulance (EMT-A) course, all members are now state or Nationally Registered EMT-A's and a number of them have completed advanced courses in specific areas. Specifically, some of your Rescue Squad Members were among the first in the state to become certified in the use of newly approved equipment to maintain the airway of patients with respiratory distress.

The addition of a cardiac monitor to the equipment aboard the primary ambulance was made possible through generous contributions from interested citizens and most Squad members are trained in its use. This enables the physician at the emergency room to have a record of the patient's cardiac activity for a period of some 30 minutes prior to his arrival, a significant aid in rapid diagnosis and treatment.

As in the past, Squad members have contributed time over and above that required for ambulance duty to conduct First Aid and CPR classes for the general public. In the coming year, these activities will continue.

For those who wish to be recertified in CPR, one night recertification classes will be held January 30, April 30, July 30, and October 29 at 7:30 P.M. at the Brick School. Anyone holding Red Cross or Heart Association CPR cards may attend any one of these classes and be recertified. However, they must call 673-4237 or 673-1079 first to reserve a place in the class they wish to attend.

The Squad wishes to thank all Amherst citizens for their continuing support and asks that anyone interested in serving as a member contact any of the officers listed below or any member. Town residents are also asked to place their newly assigned house numbers in the appropriate location to save time during emergencies when it is frequently difficult to identify the emergency scene if the house is unnumbered or unmarked.

Respectfully submitted,

GUSTAV JUST, Chief, Amherst Rescue Squad

MARCI A ROLLINS, Deputy Chief

DIANE FITZPATRICK, Captain, Ambulance.

RALPH ANDERSON, Captain, Rescue

PEG JONES and ELEANOR REINHOLD, Lieutenants, Ambulance

MARK LEONARDI and BOB MORTON, Lieutenants, Rescue

## AMHERST RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission activities and programs continued to follow a dramatic growth pattern in 1979. The result has been increased demands for space and facilities, equipment and supplies, and volunteer personnel so essential to the success of ARC ventures.

In 1979 a total of 1208 boys and girls participated in Youth Sports of Softball (136), Baseball (478), Soccer (375), and Basketball (219) as compared to 1170 in 1978. When adding the number of parental volunteers who served as coaches and referees, a total of 15% of the town's population was in some way involved in 1979 ARC Youth Sports programs.

The ever increasing numbers taking an active part in such programs each year is bringing more and more pressure to bear for the community to develop new and adequate space for both indoor and outdoor recreation facilities for use by all ages.

The 1979 Baboosic Lake season was the most successful summer since the facility became town property in 1971. Season memberships increased from 1254 to a record 1401 while at the same time the number of daily guests increased from 651 to 1287. The demolition of the Pavillion and a better system of monitoring the entrance gate were key reasons for an upswing in the number of season and guest passes sold.

Although increased use of the facility put additional pressures on beach personnel, a competent staff maintained daily swim lessons for 567 registrants, conducted varied Arts & Crafts activities for 91 youngsters, and developed a swim team which climaxed a winning season by placing first in Division III of the 1979 Milford Rotary meet.

Two semesters of Adult Education courses were sponsored by the ARC in 1979. Fifteen classes were enjoyed by 136 adults in the community.

The Amherst Outing Club highlighted its year's activities by holding a Camping & Outdoor Show at the Middle School. Exhibits, demonstrations, and movies of outdoor oriented activities were enjoyed by hundreds who attended the all day event.

Adult Volleyball and Basketball, Town tennis lessons, Family Ski Night, and the 2nd annual Ski & Skate Swap continued to be popular community events.

In fulfilling its duties and responsibilities to the Town, the Recreation Commission foresees a number of aims and objectives to be attained:

- 1) To develop a master plan which over an extended period of time will assure the safety, maintenance, and adequacy of playing fields, tennis courts, and waterfront facilities in Amherst.
- 2) To review, evaluate, and upgrade programs at Baboosic Lake to be sure that old as well as new needs and interests are being met.
- 3) To expand Adult Education and similar enrichment programs to serve both old and young alike.
- 4) To develop the Amherst Outing Club activities to best serve interests shown and to properly utilize the outstanding outdoor environment available throughout the Amherst area.
- 5) To discover and pool talents known to exist in Amherst so that the best possible leadership and expertise

becomes available for ARC sponsored activities.

- 6) To seek the help and advice of other civic minded organizations in developing ongoing programs.
- 7) To reiterate, emphasize, and maintain the Commission's basic philosophy that those who choose to become involved in town recreation programs shall be assured the opportunity to participate and learn on an equitable basis regardless of individual abilities.

Annually a large number of people and groups extend helping hands to us. We single out the Amherst School Board, administrators, and custodians, the Highway Department crews, and the Amherst Jaycees.

The largest group, however, is made up of the parents who labor on the sidelines of Youth Sports programs. To them a special thank you for time and energy expended in 1979.

Respectfully submitted,

AMHERST RECREATION COMMISSION

DICK NEWBERT, Chairman

JIM AGNEW

SALLY HARRINGTON

SHARLA KURZ

STEVE OAKS

## PLANNING BOARD

In 1979 the Planning Board continued to develop a Master Plan for the town while conducting the week-to-week activites of considering residential subdivisions and non-residential site reviews. Two significant milestones sponsored by the Planning Board were reached in 1979. Voters approved by a wide margin the Open Space concept which has as its goal to develop no more than half of the remaining developable land of the town. Voters at a special town meeting also gave their approval to new federally established boundaries to the Floodplain District, thus assuring owners of property in the floodplain of flood insurance at reasonable rates and assuring the availability of bank financing when property in the floodplain is to be sold.

High interest rates and the rising cost of land and building materials slowed the rate of growth in Amherst in 1979. However, the subdivision of large parcels of land into building lots continued at a steady pace, presaging future growth when the present money crunch is relieved. New industries continue to locate in this part of New Hampshire, while present industry continues to expand. With commuting costs up, the demand for housing near the workplace will continue into the foreseeable future in Amherst. The Planning Board will continue its efforts to direct and pace the residential growth of the town and balance it with other development so that Amherst can retain its rural character and natural beauty and still remain affordable to all its citizens in the decade of the '80's.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. CROUTER, Chairman  
JAMES SHILDNECK, Vice Chairman  
DOUGLAS KIRKWOOD, Secretary  
SCOTT SUTHERLAND  
CHARLES VARS  
OLIVER HAYES  
EDWARD MASTEN, ex officio  
CHARLES TIEDEMANN, Alternate  
MARILYN PETERMAN, Alternate

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Adjustment held 18 public hearings during 1979. Forty-four cases were heard: 16 Special Exceptions, 16 Variances, 6 Appeals from Administrative Decisions, 2 Temporary Use Permits, and 4 Requests for Rehearings. The disposition of the cases was as follows:

### Special Exceptions

Approved	11
Denied	5
Total	<u>16</u>

### Variances

Approved	9
Denied	7
Total	<u>16</u>

### Appeal from Administrative Decisions

Approved	4
Denied	2
Total	<u>6</u>

### Temporary Use Permits

Approved	2
Denied	0
Total	<u>2</u>

### Requests for Rehearing

Approved	3
Denied	1
Total	<u>4</u>

If you have any questions pertaining to Board of Adjustment procedures or need assistance in filing an application please contact the Zoning Administrator at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by the 1979  
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

J. Clark Logan, Chairman  
John Bachman, Vice Chairman  
Arnold C. Dickinson, Secretary

Norman Constant  
Elliot Lyon

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

In 1979 the general recession within the construction industry was reflected in Amherst by a reduction in numbers and types of permits applied for and total field inspectional activity of the department.

These reductions have dictated budget reductions for the department. While no significant change in general economic conditions is foreseen, I recommend maintenance of sufficient funding to allow flexibility within the department for additional staff.

Again in 1979 permits for repairs to septic systems declined to 16 issued, as compared to prior averages of 40 to 50 per year.

Amendments to the zoning ordinance, dealing with a requirement for surveying of new structures, when adopted, will be a great improvement towards providing the public with a precise, permanent record of the location of buildings, septic systems, wells and lot boundary markers.

Report for the Year of 1979

<u>Permits Applied For</u>	<u>Permits Issued</u>	<u>Permits Value</u>
New Residences	47	\$4,637,400
New Commercial-Industrial	2	189,000
Addition-Alteration/Residential	123	4,212,220
Addition-Alteration/Commercial-Industrial	27	455,383
Public Buildings	1	---
Barns	2	10,960
Signs	10	3,883
Pools	9	55,150
Home Occupations	5	---
Fences	9	7,560
Earth Removal	-	---
Septic repairs (other than new bldgs.)	16	20,300
Driveway repairs (other than new bldgs.)	33	34,500
Oil Burners (other than new bldgs.)	6	7,300
Tanks	12	13,000
TOTALS	302	\$9,646,656

	<u>B.I.</u>	<u>Z.A.</u>
Building Inspections:	1600	559
Meetings:	0	65
Violations:	7	14
Complaints:	19	83
Total Inspections:	1626	721

Combined Total: 2,347

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL V. ABBATE, Zoning Administrator

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

Amherst observed Memorial Day on May 30, 1979 with proper respects despite the downpour of rain.

Present were Town Scouts, Town Officials, State Representatives, Members of the DAR including special guest Ann Flech, and our local color guard.

Plants were sold on the Green by the Amherst Garden Club.

Providing march music were the Milford Area High School Band and the Amherst Middle School Band.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER F. BERGIN, Chairman

COMMITTEE

LEONARD TWISS

CHRISTOPHER WHITTAKER

WILLIAM HOPKINS

JULY 4TH REPORT

Theme - "In the Good Old Summertime"

Winning Floats: 1. Best Overall - Gen'l Moses Nichols

Perpetual Challenge Memorial Trophy Milk Can - Amherst Junior Womens

2. Most Original - Rev. John Ward Plaque - Amherst Newcomers

3. Most Colorful - Trophy - The Grella family

Main Speaker - Rev. Arnold Johnson

Citizen of the Year Award Recipient - Dorothy Davis

Float Judge - WOTW Radio Personality Barbara Coles and husband John

New for '79 - Town PA System donated by Amherst Junior Womens Club

Events of the Day - Booths on the Green, Historical Chapel open, Rescue Squad Demonstration, Gymnastics Village Demonstration, Parade, Ceremonies, Band Concert, Jaycee Field Events, Amherst Patriots Cheerleader Demonstration

Weather: Fair to cloudy and cool!

The July 4th Committee Flag Fund staged a successful one night vaudeville show with a cast of over 100, playing to an audience that filled Wilkins School auditorium for the purpose of raising money to buy flags to circle the Green. The flags will be up by July 4th, 1980.

The committee was saddened this year by the passing of one of its most industrious members, Ralph Haskell. Ralph had served on the committee in 1977 and 1978 bringing to us his expertise from running Concord, Massachusetts Patriots Day Parade. We missed him greatly this year.

Respectfully submitted,

ANN CONNELL BERGIN, Chairwoman

COMMITTEE: PETER F. BERGIN, EMILY & GEORGE TREMBLAY, DORIS & RAYMOND NOLAN, NANCY & MICHAEL DILLON, CHUCK & TISH SMITH, SUSAN CONNOLLY, FRANCIS PERRY, JEANNE & SCOTT DAVIS, KYLE & BILL LANGILLE, DOROTHY SULLIVAN, JEANNE & BILL PAVONE, MARILYN & BOB STEVENSON, LINDA & DAVID HANLON

AIDES: PAT BARRY, JUSTINA STALEY, JUDY LIPKIN, FRAN COMELLO

DRIVERS: TOM KNOTT, BOB CONNOLLY, BILL LAWSON

AMHERST CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1979 was a year of new responsibilities for the Conservation Commission and, very importantly, one of great appreciation to the townspeople for their continued financial and moral support of the Commission and its many endeavors.

The Amherst Conservation Commission would like to express its sincere appreciation to the voters of the Town for last year's land acquisition appropriation. On your behalf, the Commission has been involved in active negotiation for a large tract of land. In an effort to double our money, the Commission, after obtaining the approval of the Board of Selectmen, started the process involving the use of Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service funds. At this time, the required appraisal is being completed.

New faces appear around the discussion table at our meetings. We welcome Betsy Gillespie and Thornton Stearns. They have proved themselves to be both willing and capable, and are hard at work on specific projects - Betsy, working with Robin Warren, on the wildflower garden in the Joe English Reservation and on the dredge and fill subcommittee; Thornton with the development of the trail system throughout the Town.

The Commission is pleased to announce the extension of a grant of \$1,500 for trail surveying and mapping from the Trustees of the Norwin S. and Elizabeth N. Bean Foundation. In addition, the Trustees of the Foundation also voted to increase our original grant by \$2,000 for acquisition of a specific tract of land of approximately 18 acres. This additional award has been made on a matching \$1 for \$1 basis. The Commission is most grateful to the Trustees of the Foundation for their continued support. We hopefully will be able to announce at Town Meeting that these negotiations have been completed.

Three area youngsters were sent to the Conservation Camp presented by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. They were Jimmy Sickler, Jon Hendershot, and Scott Bury. The Commission and visitors were treated to an excellent presentation by Jimmy Sickler on his experiences while at camp. His enthusiasm for the program was very rewarding and encouraging to the Commission members to continue with our scholarship program. Stephanie Pappas, teacher at the Middle School, also received a scholarship.

In appreciation of her many years of dedication to the Conservation Commission and the Town, Betty Arnold was appointed a permanent Honorary Member of the Commission. Betty continues to work with the Commission in many areas, but primarily on the dredge and fill subcommittee, on the trail program, and as liaison with the Planning Board.

In 1979 the Commission also established a new policy governing woodcutting in Joe English Reservation. The Commission felt that this opportunity would express, in one small way, our appreciation to the townspeople for their support. We were overwhelmed, but very delighted, with the large response. Woodcutting in the Reservation was to be done on a permit basis only and some 75 families responded. Bad weather during a good share of the fall slowed, and finally stopped, work by the Commission on the opening of a woodsroad. The work on this project will continue in the spring.

The Bicentennial Trail from the village to Joe English is nearing completion. Bill Goodwill, Thornton Stearns, along with

Betty Arnold, have continued to work on the gathering of easements for the completion of this trail.

Our sincere thanks to Scout Mark Votaw, who, while working on his Eagle badge, put in long, hard hours in the opening of new trails in the Herb Harding Memorial Forest.

Chuck Bacon was appointed a "Friend of Conservation." He is perhaps best known for his wonderful articles on the Joe English Reservation in the Milford Cabinet, but the Commission also knows him as a hard worker on our behalf.

The Commission takes very seriously its duties as outlined in New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA) 36-A. Under this state law, the Commission is to work for the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources within our Town.

Public awareness of the importance of protecting our wetlands is growing. President Carter's 1977 Environmental Message made wetland protection an executive priority and a matter of national policy. Wetlands are valuable for many reasons: as wildlife habitats, for recreational and aesthetic enjoyment, for water purification, and for replenishment of our ground water supplies.

Because laws limiting alteration of natural resources inevitably involve questions of public good, sometimes at the expense of private gain, controversy continues to arise over regulation of our wetland areas.

In keeping with new state laws regarding wetlands and earth removal operations, the Conservation Commission has been given additional responsibilities to review and make recommendations on all such applications. Realizing that our supply of clean water is not inexhaustible, the Conservation Commission has developed an increasing awareness of the need to make well-informed decisions regarding further alterations of our natural environment. We have faithfully attempted to make fair assessments of all applications and have found that, in general, both applicants, the public, and the State boards are appreciative of our input.

In response to the voter-expressed sentiment for more open space, the Amherst Conservation Commission is again requesting \$25,000 for land acquisition.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. TIEDEMANN, Chairman  
WILLIAM M. GOODWILL, Treasurer  
ELISABETH G. BARRETT, Secretary  
ELIZABETH GILLESPIE  
RICHARD G. KITCHEN  
THORNTON STEARNS  
WALLACE F. WARREN

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY  
TRUSTEES' REPORT

Every year the growth in population in Amherst is reflected in the number of new patrons at the Amherst Town Library. This past year was no exception with 610 new patrons registered. This growth means changes and additions, and the Board of Trustees tries to keep up with and anticipate the needs and services required by the people of Amherst.

After many years of service as a member of the Board of Trustees, Betty Lyle resigned to pursue a new career. Betty was a faithful and diligent trustee and also served as Chairman of the Board for several years. The Board of Trustees thanks her for her years of interest and work and wishes her well. Also Frances Manning resigned this year, and we thank her for all she contributed in time and ideas. Johnny Johnson turned over the job as Treasurer to Ryland Cox, and Johnny continues to serve as a very active member of the Board. Without Ryland Cox and Johnny Johnson many of the repairs, fences, painting and numerous other odd jobs would be items in a much larger maintenance figure in our budget. They do so much, and we do appreciate it. Wendy Stotz has joined us as our newest trustee. We welcome her and look forward to working with her.

The Board would like to thank our wonderful staff: Betty Watson, Head Librarian; Marcia deSteuben, Children's Librarian; Cele Clough, Marian Williston, Sally Suomala, Jody Allen, Connie George, Library Assistants; Marjorie Johnson, Clerk-Typist; Cheryl Spargo, Joanne Ledger, Amy Hupfer, Heather Wichman and Margaret Hoag, our pages. The staff members have attended Public Library Techniques courses, workshops and conferences. They are hard working and help make our library the warm and friendly place that it is.

The work of the Friends of the Amherst Library is appreciated and enjoyed by many. Again this year, they are responsible for a membership at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, which can be used by any Amherst resident. Their activities include two Book and Bake sales; decorating the library with flowers and plants and art displays; an Annual Membership Coffee, this year highlighted by a "Meet the Authors" program; the Little Red Wagon, theater for children; assisting with the summer reading program and "End of the Summer" party. The members of this energetic group are Jean Pituck, Deidi Scott, Connie Woolford, Doreen Taylor, Sue Blakeman, Lori Gallagher, Jean Lyon, Helene Pierce, Barbara Hinman, Sylvia Agler and Joyce McCray.

The Board wishes to recognize and thank a special volunteer, Betty Wight, who has done all the re-cataloging for the past ten years and continues to assist with current cataloging and inventory.

Again this summer, with the cooperation of the School Board, there was a branch library at the Middle School. This branch was open two afternoons and one evening each week.

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Monday of each month. In addition to these meetings, the members attend State Library meetings, special workshops, and district meetings.

Each year the Library receives books, magazines and gifts of money from many people and organizations. We wish to thank these people, and we are grateful to all the people in Amherst

for their continued interest and support.

We have a great Library!!

Respectfully submitted,

RYLAND COX  
E. DANIEL JOHNSON  
JOANNE JUST  
LUCY RAMSAY  
WENDY STOTZ  
JEANNE SWEENEY

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY  
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation Statistics for 1979:

Adult Fiction	21,495
Adult Non-Fiction	14,714
Juvenile	30,837
Magazines	7,410
Art Prints	37
Puzzles	475
Records and Cassettes	3,018
Inter-Library Loans (Borrowed from the other libraries)	577
Loans to Non-Residents using the Statewide Library Card	782
Films	36
Pamphlets	374
Inter-Library Loans (Amherst loaned to other Libraries)	217
Total	79,972

This total exceeds last year's circulation by 6,317. 610 new patrons were registered in 1979, making a total of 5,268 registered library users.

Book Collection:

1,689 books were purchased in 1979, and an additional 327 were added to the collection through donations and memorial gifts. A breakdown of the new books follows:

Adult Fiction	501
Adult Non-Fiction	858
Juvenile Fiction, including Picture Books	387
Juvenile Non-Fiction	270

Total Added	2,016
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380 books were withdrawn from the collection due to obsolescence, loss, damage or wear.

The book collection now consists of:

Adult Books	15,349
Juvenile Books	6,924

Total	22,273
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Magazines and Newspapers:

New magazines subscribed to for 1980 include Consumer's Research, Harvard Business Review, House Beautiful's Colonial

Homes, Life, Sail, Sky and Telescope, and Spinning Wheel. Dynamite and Daisy have been added to the Children's Room subscriptions. A few titles have been dropped because they did not circulate well or to be replaced by other titles in the same subject area. Subscriptions now number 76.

We also receive as gifts or purchase locally 44 additional magazines, making a total of 120 magazine titles in the library collection.

The library subscribes to 7 newspapers, including the daily Boston Globe which is new this year.

#### Recordings:

	<u>Disc</u>	<u>Tape</u>
Adult	502	46
Juvenile	105	0
Total	607	46

#### Children's Activities:

The theme of the 1979 Summer Reading Program was The International Year of the Child. 130 children signed up to participate in the program at the Town Library and 39 at the Middle School Summer Library. Eighty-one completed the program.

In addition to the Reading Program, the Children's Librarian planned and executed many other special summer activities. There were workshops on birds, folk dancing and sign language. Many children were involved in one or more of the contests held throughout the summer: Baking Contest, the Second Annual Writing Contest, and a Photography Contest.

Special summer events included film festivals, a "Christmas in July" party, a pet show, and a tie-dyeing arts and crafts program, where each child learned to tie-dye a tee-shirt.

A story hour for two, three, and four year olds was held on the lawn outside the Library each week.

The summer fun concluded with a cookout and party on the Town Common.

During the school year, 128 Pre-school Story Hours were conducted by the Children's Librarian. These were geared to different age groups and included songs, stories, arts and crafts activities and, once in a while, a special film. Approximately 56 children participated weekly in these Story Hours.

A Christmas Holiday Film Program and Magic Show ended the activities for 1979.

#### Other Programs:

In May, the library sponsored a program by Bob and Ann Davis entitled "A Trip on the Appalachian Trail" during which the Davises related their experiences and showed colored slides of their 735 mile hike from Georgia to West Virginia.

A Wood-Heat Workshop was held in September with Bob Breck of the Hillsborough County Extension Service. This program included a discussion of the best trees for heating, cutting and aging firewood, stove installations, and safety aspects for all these activities.

In October, the Friends of the Library held a "Meet the Authors" Night. Four New Hampshire authors, Rosellen Brown,

Norman Philcox, Ernest Hebert, and Charlene W. Billings spoke and answered questions.

Middle School Summer Library:

Again, for the fifth summer, the Amherst Schools and the Town Library co-operated in opening the Middle School Library for public use. Mrs. Nancy Marirea was in charge. Hours open were 3 to 5 P.M. on Tuesdays and Thursday afternoons and 7 to 9 P.M. Wednesday evenings:

Book Circulation:

Adult Fiction	39
Juvenile Fiction	928
Juvenile Non-Fiction	<u>179</u>
Total	1,146

A-V Usage:

Cassettes	21
Kits	137
Film Strips	10
Records	<u>173</u>
Total	341

Future Plans:

In response to patrons' requests for additional morning hours and also to meet State guidelines for adequate service based on population, the library will be open Thursday mornings at 10 A.M. beginning the first week in January, 1980. Thursday's schedule will then be the same as Wednesday's, from 10 A.M. to 9 P.M.

In closing, I would like to thank our many friends who have given memorial contributions, books, magazine subscriptions, puzzles and other materials to the library for the use of all our patrons. Also, my thanks to the Friends of the Library for their many programs and activities, financial support, and volunteer work, without which the library would be hard-pressed to meet its many commitments.

I also wish to thank our Board of Trustees whose guidance, direction and policy-making decisions make it possible for us to continue to grow and serve Amherst.

Last, but not least, my special thanks to our dedicated, cheerful, and hard-working library staff.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY S. WATSON, Librarian

AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY  
TREASURER'S REPORT

Period December 31, 1978 to December 31, 1979

INCOME

Cash Balance	\$ 1,688.15
Town Appropriation	65,859.40
Town Appropriation 1978 Carryover	555.77

Town Trust Funds	1,225.50
Amherst Recreation Commission	300.00
State of New Hampshire	50.00
Gift from Amherst Women's Club	14.14
Mark Loscocco Memorial	24.50
Sam and Alys Warren Book Fund	38.96
Refunds from Public Service Co., for Unused Meeting and Travel Expenses, & Book Purchases	<u>188.73</u>

Total Income \$69,945.15

EXPENSES

	Expenses	Budget	
	1979	1980	6 mo. 1981
Librarian's Salaries	\$42,825.08	\$49,729.00	\$24,864.50
Custodian	2,904.00	3,151.00	1,575.50
Books	10,685.19	10,810.00	5,405.00
Magazines	1,170.79	1,305.00	325.00
Records	349.20	380.00	190.00
Supplies & Postage	1,566.18	1,628.00	814.00
Lights	1,816.82	2,012.00	928.00
Heat & A.C.	2,037.43	2,316.00	895.00
Telephone & Fire Alarm	738.60	839.00	420.00
Building & Grounds	751.06	1,000.00	400.00
Capital Improvements	140.15	150.00	0
Travel & Meetings	659.55	628.00	314.00
Library Associations Dues	40.00	40.00	0
Miscellaneous	132.70	150.00	75.00
Summer Library	480.08	669.00	0
Petty Cash Fund	38.82		
Refunds	<u>188.73</u>		
 Totals	\$66,524.38	\$74,807.00	\$36,206.00
Cash Balance	<u>3,420.77</u>		
Total Expenses 1979	<u>\$69,945.15</u>		

The salary budgets for 1980 and the first half of 1981 required by the change in the fiscal year reflect the general 8.5% cost of living increase plus an increase in the hours that the library is open to conform with the State Library Commission standards for towns of Amherst's current population. The library will be open for 48 hours per week which will provide an increase of 6½ hours per week.

FINES ACCOUNT

Souhegan Bank Savings Account No. 800-069-7	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1978	\$1,528.01
Deposited 1979	3,233.02
Interest 1979	86.91
	<u>\$4,847.94</u>

Expenses:

Books	\$3,938.65
Magazines and Misc.	<u>55.26</u>
	<u>\$3,993.91</u>
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1979	<u>\$ 854.03</u>

COPY MACHINE AMORTIZATION ACCOUNT

Souhegan Bank Savings Account No. 800-053-1	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1978	\$4,787.87

Deposited 1979	1,676.75
Interest 1979	122.61
	<u>\$6,587.23</u>

Expenses:	
Supplies	\$ 848.95
Maintenance & Misc.	55.96
New Roof for Library	<u>3,980.00</u>
	\$4,884.91
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1979	<u>\$1,702.32</u>

BALANCE OF GIFTS BY ANNA & THEODORE BOARDMAN	
Souhegan Bank Savings Account No. 800-052-3	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1978	\$2,650.49
Deposited 1979	4,771.13
Interest 1979	<u>349.32</u>
	\$7,770.94

Expenses:	
New Bookcase for Adult Room	\$ 704.90
Two Air Conditioners for Childrens' Room	<u>1,130.00</u>
	\$1,834.90
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1979	<u>\$5,936.04</u>

BALANCE OF OTHER GIFTS	
Amhest Bank & Trust Savings Account No. 002-6055	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1978	\$2,603.35
Past Gifts by Anna Mosher	\$ 982.24
Past Gift by Honora Spalding	613.61
Jennifer Carlsmith Memorial	159.59
Laura & James Wanless Memorial	<u>847.91</u>
	\$2,603.35
Harold E. Morris Memorial, deposited 6/21/79	1,000.00
Interest 1979	<u>165.07</u>
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1979	\$3,768.42

SPECIAL FUND BALANCES INCLUDED IN CHECKING ACCOUNT	
Recreation Commission	\$ 283.91
Katy Hutchings Memorial	732.71
Warren Book Fund	63.45

Respectfully submitted,

W. RYLAND COX, Treasurer

## NASHUA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Community Council is a private, non-profit, comprehensive mental health center serving the residents of ten towns in southern Hillsborough County. Funding for our services is derived from a combination of sources. Each dollar of local support not only helps us to assure we can meet the needs of the citizenry, but also enables us to generate both State and Federal monies at extremely attractive ratios.

During the previous year, 90 Amherst residents were provided mental health services at Community Council. Of these, 49 were new admissions, which represented 3.5% of our total new admissions for the period. These new Amherst admissions showed a 58.1% increase over the previous reporting period, and showed a 36.1% increase over 1977.

Costs involved in providing care to our clients during the past year are broken down by service as follows:

The cost of providing an hour of outpatient service was \$45.07 per hour. The average fee charged to Amherst residents where insurance would not cover was \$18.62 per hour. The average number of outpatient visits per admission was 6.14.

Four Amherst residents received inpatient care last year, for a total of eight inpatient days. Cost of these services was \$208.00.

No one from Amherst participated in our Partial Hospitalization program during the past year.

Amherst clients availed themselves of our 24-hour per day, 7-day per week emergency services for a share of \$1,900.00 of this program's total expense.

Outpatient Services (Adults & Children)	\$16,586.00
Inpatient Services	208.00
Partial Hospitalization	0
Emergency Services	1,900.00
Consultation & Education	2,242.00
<b>TOTAL cost for Amherst</b>	<b>\$20,936.00</b>

Of our \$1,783,799 Federal and State approved budget, \$121,340.12 in local support, including United Way, is needed by Community Council to continue providing services. Amherst's share of this need was determined by the calculation process which was subsequently reduced by United Way contributions.

\$121,340.12 x 4.8% (historical + population)	5,824.33
Less 4,284.00 United Way support	<u>4,284.00</u>
	\$1,540.33

Our estimates for calendar year 1981 needs indicate local support will be requested in the amount of \$139,360.00. Using the same calculations, Amherst's share would be \$1,769.82 for that period. To accommodate your 18-month budget period, then, we would add half that amount to funding requested for 1980, or a total request from Amherst as follows:

Calendar year 1980 1,540.33  
 January through June, 1981 884.91  
**TOTAL 18-MONTH REQUEST FROM AMHERST \$2,425.24**

## SOUHEGAN COMMUNITY NURSING ASSOCIATION

The Souhegan Community Nursing Association serves the towns of Amherst, Milford and Mont Vernon. Nursing visits are available to anyone, with a physician's orders, regardless of their ability to pay.

Visits are also made to new mothers and handicapped persons. The care of the sick is taught to a responsible family member. Referrals are made to other resources in the community when necessary. 881 home nursing visits have been made to Amherst residents this year.

Office visits may be made at the Association's building on the North River Road in Milford between 9:00 and 10:00 AM Monday through Friday or by calling to make an appointment.

Immunization clinics are held once a month, free of charge. The supplies for this clinic are furnished by the State Department of Health and Welfare. 119 Amherst children have received immunizations. A Well-child Clinic is held on the same day. Appointments are made for the child to be seen by a pediatrician, if the family is financially eligible. There were 12 Amherst children examined in the first nine months of this year by the pediatrician.

Dental Clinics are held twice a year. These clinics are co-sponsored by the State Bureau of Dental Health. There were 80 Amherst children screened by the Dental Hygienists this year.

We have started a clinic this year for checking blood pressures. It is held once a week at the Association Building on North River Road. We have checked 685 people from the three towns. We have a new piece of equipment with which to do Diabetic Screening. We have screened 40 people. We will be holding more free clinics during next year in order to service more of the citizens of Amherst.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION JACKSON, R.N., Director

## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The Historic District Commission had but 8 applications presented to them for review during 1979. There were 4 for new construction or additions to existing structures; 1 for a new building; 1 for an outdoor pool; and 2 for woodstove chimneys. All of these were approved with some minor alterations or restrictions.

Mr. G. Winthrop Brown retired from the Commission after serving two terms. His efforts and continued interest in maintaining the colonial tradition of the Village were much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA M. JONES, Chairman

PETER ROTCH, Secretary

ROBERT JACKSON

THOMAS GRELLA, ex-officio

ROBERT CROUTER, ex-officio

## SOUHEGAN REGIONAL LANDFILL DISTRICT

Early in 1979 the State of New Hampshire Bureau of Solid Waste Management approved the Operational Plans of the Souhegan Regional Landfill District for the development and use of the remaining land available under the lease from the Town of Amherst. A significant portion of the area has been cleared and at year end specifications for the required excavation work, involving several hundred thousand cubic yards of fill, were being finalized.

New inspection and maintenance schedules were a part of the contract terms on which competitive bids were received for the hauling and maintenance of trailers used in transporting refuse from Brookline, Hollis and Mont Vernon. As a part of the maintenance program all of the trailers were thoroughly sandblasted and repainted.

In the fall new landfill hours for Amherst residents were adopted. Extended hours were scheduled on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday which more than offset the hours lost as the result of closing the landfill on Sunday. The total volume of refuse is now being received on a more even basis thus contributing to greater efficiency in compacting and in the use of cover material.

In Brookline, Hollis and Mont Vernon the volume of refuse received on Saturday and Sunday taxes the capacity of the trailers. The towns are being requested to reschedule the hours that their collection sites will be open so that more of their citizens will go to the "dump" during the week when the refuse can be accommodated by the Districts' existing equipment - equipment which is more than adequate to handle two or three times the present volume.

After careful deliberation, which included presentation and proposals from a number of manufacturers, the District ordered a new tractor for use at the landfill. The old tractor required an extensive and expensive overhaul at a cost that was felt could be better expended toward the purchase of a new larger and heavier piece of equipment that will do a more efficient job of compacting the refuse.

ALBERT C. DUDLEY - Mont Vernon  
WILLIAM I. MARBLE - Amherst  
FLORENCE H. PALMER - Brookline  
RONALD E. STILLMAN - Amherst  
FRANK WHITTEMORE - Hollis

## FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

### Annual Report

Due to the increase in fuel costs, many residents have already installed or are contemplating installing wood stoves. During the course of the year 1979, the members of the Fire Prevention Bureau have conducted many wood stove, fireplace, and chimney inspections in private homes. We strongly urge anyone who has a wood stove or any questions about wood stoves, etc., to get in contact with the Amherst Fire Chief, Marshall Strickland. A member of the Fire Prevention Bureau will be glad to come to your home and help you with any questions or problems concerning this evergrowing source of heat. We feel this is a very important issue and hope you will call.

We would like to warn residents to use dry seasoned hard wood, staying away from soft woods. It is time to get ready for the next heating season - split and pile wood now. Also keep your chimney clean so you won't have a fire.

During Fire Prevention Week this year, T-shirts were handed out to second grade students with the slogan 'Learn Not to Burn' printed on them. These T-shirts were put out by the National Fire Protection Agency. We feel that this was a good program and hope to continue it in future years.

In 1979, the Bureau was involved in and put on several seminars dealing with wood stoves. Other presentations included the proper use of fire extinguishers and tips for babysitters.

Members of the Bureau are: John Moorhouse, Walter Nelson, John Raymond, Tim Pullar and Mike Riccitelli. We would especially like to thank the Fire Wards and everyone else who has worked with and assisted the Bureau in the activities of the past year.

MICHAEL RICCITELLI, Chairman  
TIM PULLAR, Secretary

## TREE COMMITTEE

During 1979, twenty-nine trees were planted throughout the village. A major effort involved careful planting techniques because of adverse soil conditions in the planting areas. For instance, a half of a truck load of salty soil was replaced by humas soil for each tree.

In addition, the planting program included mulching, pruning, and watering where needed.

Last fall, a large pine fell in the big village common. This resulted in a safety problem with exposed roots of two adjacent pines. Consequently, Road Commissioner Crocker and his crew efficiently felled these two trees and removed all three.

In December, eight elms and maples plus two pines were removed.

Plans in 1980 included planting ornamental trees and shrubs on the village commons. Also, a program of fertilizing Spaulding Common and the crab tree strip on Main Street is contemplated. Also, plans call for revitalizing the flat-iron common by correcting drainage and grade problems.

HOWARD PARKHURST, Chairman  
BARBARA BERLACK  
TERRY MAYO

ROAD COMMISSION REPORT

This year, the Road Commission Report will be focused on the bridge situation in Amherst and what we believe to be its solution. The following list of Bridges are to be replaced through the Capital Reserve Bridge Fund:

1. Merrimack Road Bridge
2. Corduroy Road Bridge @ Junction of 122
3. Horace Greeley Road @ the junction of Brook Road
4. Horace Greeley Road @ Bedford line
5. New Boston Road near Carlsmith's property

The following is a list of bridges to be replaced by the Amherst Highway Department starting in 1981 at the rate of one bridge per year.

1. Thornton Ferry Road II by Sherburne Mill
2. Mont Vernon Road on the Tommy Brook
3. Pine Road by the Cider Mill
4. Brook Road near the Bacon property

The bridges to be replaced under the Capital Reserve Bridge Fund, are large bridge projects and will require the projects to be let out to bid. The smaller bridge replacements to be done by the Amherst Highway Department, will be culverts or multi-culverts.

The order of replacement may change from year to year, due to increased use of or unexpected preparation of the bridges. At this point in time, we believe that the major bridge projects, Merrimack Road Bridge, should be first and Corduroy Road Bridge, to be second. Figures from the Amherst Police on Traffic count over the two bridges, indicate that Merrimack Road Bridge (11,207 per day) and Corduroy Road Bridge (5,606 per day), the Merrimack Road Bridge has about twice the traffic load as the Corduroy Road Bridge. The Merrimack Road Bridge has poor approach roadway alignment and narrow width 18'-9" rail-to-rail. Cost estimates for replacement from the State of New Hampshire for 1979 are:

Merrimack Road Bridge:	\$235,000.00
Corduroy Road Bridge:	\$245,000.00

(Costs expected to rise about 10%/yr.)

We hope that this report will bring attention to the "Bridge Replacement Program".

Respectfully submitted,

MERIC ARNOLD  
STEPHEN DUGGAN  
EVERETT LEACH

NASHUA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Under the guidance of Amherst residents, Martin Michaelis, Judy Hordon, and alternate Commissioner, Arnold Wight, and the other 21 area Commissioners, the Nashua Regional Planning Commission has accomplished the following tasks since March, 1979.

Local planning assistance to Amherst included flood plain mapping work in the late spring to early summer. This mapping work consisted of having reductions and prints made of tax maps at the same scale, piecing maps together in mosaic fashion, and marking areas covered by wetland ordinance protection, previous flood plain coverage, and proposed areas of coverage under the HUD program, for public meeting purposes.

In August, the staff provided a critique and recommendations on treatment of back lots in town subdivision regulations and zoning ordinance -- recommendations were forwarded to Town Counsel. In September, the feasibility of Community Development Block Grant funding for post office and police station proposals was explored with representatives from the Board of Selectmen.

Additionally, with your continued support, we have provided planning services and programs of general benefit to Amherst. A survey of area building inspectors provided us with an updated account of residential activity within the region. Development of tools for analyzing fiscal impacts of development has allowed us to assist at least two communities in determining the validity of their growth controls while expanding our expertise to assist other towns in the region with the same types of analyses. In May, a joint planning board meeting focused attention on the legal aspects of growth control techniques as seen by Keene's City Attorney, Charles Morang; the session was attended by representatives from municipal planning boards, boards of Selectmen, and boards of Adjustment. A sample outline for a master plan was developed and has been used by at least six (6) of the twelve (12) area communities in their planning efforts. A regional land use plan has been developed and will soon be available for distribution.

To foster its role as a disseminator of information, the Commission has expanded its publication of the Soundings newsletter to provide pertinent funding, planning and programming information to almost 500 local and state officials and interested citizens. Copies of various publications were widely distributed, including manuals on flood plain management, handbook for zoning boards of adjustment and the text of current planning enabling legislation. In its role as "A-95" Review agency to ensure consistency of funding proposals with regional goals and to prevent duplications of effort, the Commission reviewed approximately 175 applications over the last year.

As a result of your local support, we were able to match federal program funds to begin the preparation of a handbook, expected to be available by mid-summer, which will assist local sounding boards deal with planning and organizational issues. A program has been set up to deal with air quality problems that have plagued busy street intersections.

We are looking forward to continued service to Amherst in the coming year and welcome suggestions on how we might best serve you. Are there studies, surveys or projects you have back-shelved for lack of money to hire a consultant for which we may be of assistance? In Hudson, for example, we conducted a study of 266 homes built since 1977 to determine the fiscal impact these

homes have had on the town budget. A study in Hollis assessed the potential impacts on traffic in a particular area if it was commercially developed. Merrimack obtained an updated zoning ordinance map through our graphic services and drew upon our assistance for a traffic origin and destination study conducted in the fall. Other projects might include an assessment of future needs for open space and recreational lands, a study of existing land use problems, traffic volume counts for key traffic spots, review of a certain ordinance or regulation, or recommendations on commercial and industrial development.

We look forward to any requests for service you may have and hope that we may continue to provide practical planning services that will benefit Amherst.

AUDIT REPORT

The audit of Deloitte Haskins & Sells and their Letter Report on Accounting Procedures and Internal Accounting Controls for the year ended December 31, 1978 are available for inspection at the Town Hall during regular business hours.

## Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of \_\_\_\_\_

on December 31, 1979

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Report of the Trust Funds of the City or Town of AMHERST on December 31, 1979

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(1) Income during the year is included in the principal balance at the end of the year.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST  
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1979

	<u>Balance Beginning</u>	<u>Funds Added</u>	<u>Investment Income</u>	<u>Funds Expended</u>	<u>Balance End</u>
Fire Truck	\$ 44,178.54	\$ 20,000.00	\$2,062.34	\$	\$ 66,240.88
Highway Equipment	28,739.71	16,125.00	1,091.70	10,011.58	35,944.83
Highway Vehicles	25,735.41	15,000.00	903.45	11,904.80	29,734.06
Grader	29,072.70	8,500.00	1,399.42		38,972.12
Recreation	3,859.70	1,500.00	215.38		5,575.08
Rescue Squad	3,527.17	3,000.00	205.81		6,732.98
Cemetery	4,886.21	1,975.00	269.28	2,500.00	4,630.49
Bridge		60,000.00			60,000.00
Water Precinct		5,000.00			5,000.00
Total	<u>\$139,999.44</u>	<u>\$131,100.00</u>	<u>\$6,147.38</u> (1)	<u>\$24,416.38</u>	<u>\$252,830.44</u>

(1) Investment income is recorded as received. The amount of investment income which had been earned but not received as at the year end amounts to approximately \$4,000.00.

AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT  
WARRANT

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The State of New Hampshire

The polls will be open at 8:00 p.m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsboro in said State, qualified to vote in

DISTRICT AFFAIRS

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Amherst on Friday, the 14th day of March, next at 8:00 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary District Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray district charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be applied to the capital reserve fund established at the annual meeting March, 1979 or take action relative thereto.
4. To see if the District will give the Commissioners and District Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of District taxes.
5. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 22nd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty.

CARL E. DOANE, Chairman

ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD

Commissioners of Amherst Village District

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

CARL E. DOANE

ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD

Commissioners of Amherst Village District

#### AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT

The ensuing year has been highlighted by the installation of an automatic alarm system at the pump house which is manned twenty-four hours a day. The system will advise the appropriate district officers of loss of power, low water pressure or attempts at breaking and entry.

After considerable investigation, the water rates for the first time in 28 years were increased five cents. per thousand gallons and a uniform pricing policy which does not provide preferential treatment for high water users was instituted. All subscribers should be aware that the Amherst Village District water rates are approximately one-half that of the next lowest district (Merrimack) in southern New Hampshire.

Since our system is 28 years old a capital reserve fund has been established to defray replacement costs and plant improvement. The need for this fund is highlighted by the increase in maintenance costs which are primarily due to wearing out of equipment.

The Amherst Village District is saddened by the passing of Kay Kruger. Kay had long served the district in the capacity of Clerk-Treasurer and will be missed. Bernice Boothroyd who had assumed the duties of Clerk-Treasurer has resigned due to pressures of other commitments. Nancy Topliffe has been appointed as the new Clerk-Treasurer and we wish her well in her new assignment.

John Hanlon and Howard Boothroyd have done an excellent job in maintaining the facility and attending to the multitude of operating details and problems.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL E. DOANE, Chairman  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE  
HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD

Commissioners of the Amherst Village District

Amherst Village District  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 1979

Assets

Cash (on hand 12-31-79)	\$ 3,087
Investment - Capital reserve fund	5,000
Water rates receivable	8,792
Utility plant in service, at cost	\$166,977
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(90,926)</u>
	76,051
	<u>\$ 92,930</u>

Liabilities, Reserves and Fund Balance

Bonds payable:	
Due within one year	\$ 5,000
Capital reserve fund	<u>5,000</u>
	10,000
Fund balance	82,930
	<u>\$ 92,930</u>

Statement of Changes in Cash Balances  
For the Year ended December 31, 1979

Funds provided	
From operations - net income	\$ 3,529
- depreciation	3,340
Decrease in hydrant rental receivable	1,755
Cost of stock sold	100
Total funds provided	<u>\$ 8,724</u>
Funds applied	
Reduction of bonds payable	\$ 5,000
Increase in water rates receivable	3,629
Transfer to capital reserve fund	5,000
Total funds applied	<u>\$ 13,629</u>
Decrease in cash balances	(4,905)
Cash balances, beginning of year	<u>7,992</u>
Cash balances, end of year	<u>\$ 3,087</u>

Amherst Village District  
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and  
Changes in Fund Balance

	Year-ended <u>December 31, 1979</u>	Budget for year ended <u>December 31, 1979</u>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Water Service	\$ 16,136	\$ 16,000
Precinct tax - transfer from general fund	9,719	14,775
Hydrant rental	1,755	2,600
Interest and dividends	411	400
Gain on sale of stock	220	-
<b>Total</b>	<u>28,241</u>	<u>33,775</u>
<b>Operating expenses</b>		
Interest on bonds payable	169	125
Salaries	3,600	5,700
Utilities	4,384	5,000
Operating supplies and maintenance	6,037	6,000
Depreciation	3,340	3,340
Meters	839	600
Office supplies and printing	652	600
Insurance	435	500
Water test	160	150
Legal fees	-	-
Road repairs	5,000	5,000
Town report	96	100
<b>Total</b>	<u>24,712</u>	<u>27,115</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>3,529</b>	<b>6,660</b>
Fund balance January 1, 1979	84,401	
Transfer to capital reserve	(5,000)	
<b>Fund balance December 31, 1979</b>	<b><u>82,930</u></b>	
<b>For Budget purposes</b>		
Add non cash expenditure=depreciation		3,340
<b>Deduct non operating cash requirement</b>		
Capital reserve fund		5,000
Payment of bond		5,000
Excess of cash receipts over cash expenditures		<u>0</u>

Synopsis of Town Meeting  
March 13, 1979

Acting under Warrant for Town Meeting, polls opened at 7:00 AM and closed at 7:00 PM at the Wilkins School. 1472 ballots were cast.

Town Meeting was called to order at 8:40 PM. Moderator Wight announced that because the auditorium was filled to capacity and about 150 voters were waiting to be seated the meeting was adjourned till the following Tuesday, March 20th at 8:00 PM at the Middle School Auditorium.

March 20, 1979

Moderator Wight called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM. A portion of the Warrant was read and a Bible reading given.

## Article 1. Results of election:

Selectman - Thomas G. Grella	3 yrs.
Selectman - Peter F. Wells	3 yrs.
Treasurer - Marion M. Sortevik	3 yrs.
Highway Agent - Richard G. Crocker	1 yr.
Trustee of Trust Funds - Raymond B. Woolson	3 yrs.
Library Trustee - Frances G. Manning	3 yrs.
Library Trustee - Jean D. Sweeney	3 yrs.
Board of Adjustment - Norman J. Constant	5 yrs.

## Article 2.

Amendment 1. - A three part question.

#1 Modifying the Zoning map so lots 12-1 through 12-8, 12-10 through 12-18, and 12-36A and 12-37 through 12-43 located on Rt. 101A to be included in the Commercial Zone.

#2 Modifying the Zoning map so lots 2-70, 2-76 and 2-78 located at Rt. 101A and Airline Drive be included in the Commercial Zone.

#3 Modifying the Zoning map so a portion of lot 2-34 and lot 12-9 be included in the Industrial Zone.

YES - 776 NO - 579

Amendment 2. - Amend the Zoning Ordinance to require a buffer between Open Space Developments and all adjacent parcels of land; and also to reduce the number of bedrooms allowed in the attached housing to an average of two.

Amendment 3. - Housekeeping changes of Zoning Ordinances which corrects inconsistencies, clarifies, defines, reduces multiple signs on lots and withdraws sections which are contrary to State Statutes.

YES - 1150 NO - 282

Amendment 4. - Change lots 2-90 and 2-90-1 at Rt. 101A and Veterans Road from Rural to Commercial.

YES - 387 NO - 1010

Amendment 5. - Change a portion of lot 2-34 and entire lot 12-9 from Rural to Industrial.

Amendment 6. - Change lots 1-30-1, 1-30-2, 1-30-3, 1-26, 1-26-1 from Rural to Commercial. (Rt. 122 towards Milford line)

YES = 340 NO = 1051

Amendment 7. - Change lots 2-112 and 2-108 from Rural to

Commercial. (Jct. of Rt. 101A and Rt. 122)

YES - 296

NO - 1092

Article 3. Voted to adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which makes it unlawful for an owner of any dog licensed or unlicensed to permit said dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition of training for such.

YES - 889

NO - 532

Article 4. Voted to create, establish and maintain a Town Mosquito Control District under provisions of RSA 437-A and Chapter 171 of the New Hampshire State Laws.

YES - 798

NO - 626

Article 5. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$312,750.00 to construct a combined Police/Rescue/Civil Defense facility.

YES - 301

NO - 418

Article 6. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$130,000.00 to construct a new double box culvert to replace bridge #177/108 on Merrimack Road.

Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,192,151.28 to defray Town charges.

Article 8. Voted to give the Selectmen and Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Funds for use as off sets against budget appropriations \$32,724.00.

Police - new officer	\$ 7,824.00
Police - crusier	13,000.00
Fire -	950.00
Recreation - walkway	500.00
Library - books	1,500.00
Town Hall - Renovations	6,000.00
Highway Dept. - traffic control cnt.	350.00
Rescue - radio	2,600.00
	<u>\$32,724.00</u>

Article 10. Voted as amended to raise and appropriate the sum of \$17,500.00 to raze the damaged portion, including the two storied sections, of the Baboosic Pavillion and to construct a wall to enclose the remaining section of the building and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from the surplus account.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000.00 to construct an addition of two truck bays to the town barn and to authorize the withdrawal of said amount from surplus account.

Article 12. Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,920.00 to build an addition to the Central Fire Station.

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the further development of the Master Plan.

Article 14. Voted as amended to appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purchase of two cash registers for the use of Town Clerk and Tax Collector and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from Revenue Sharing Funds. Paul Donaldson, Lee Ping, and Lockard Row were appointed as a committee to assist the Selectmen in selecting the cash registers.

Article 15. Voted as amended to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 for the purpose as hereinafter set forth; to establish a capital reserve fund for the orderly replacement of bridges in the Town of Amherst.

Article 16. Voted to adopt the fiscal year of July 1 to June

30 and approved an eighteen month account period running from Jan. 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981.

Article 17. Voted to exclude from the Social Security plan services performed by election workers and election officials for each calendar year in which remuneration paid for such services is less than \$100.00.

Article 18. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to make application for and receive such advances, grants, and wills or other funds for Town government purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the U.S. Government or any State or private agency.

Article 19. Voted as amended to adopt as a town ordinance the Life Safety Code 1976, published by the National Fire Protection Association, Copyright 1976, and such revisions as may be mandated from time to time, with the express exclusion of those sections in Chapter 11 of said Life Safety Code which relate to regulation of one family residential private dwellings specifically excluding those requirements set forth in Section 11-6 of said Life Safety Code so that said code when adopted shall not apply in any way to single family residential private dwellings.

Article 20. Voted to authorize the New Hampshire Housing Commission to sponsor a project for elderly persons under Section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 as amended, for any of the following accomodations or a combination thereof; (a) existing standard housing 5 dwelling units; (b) substantially rehabilitated housing 5 dwelling units; (c) newly constructed housing 20 dwelling units; the total amount of the foregoing not to exceed 30 dwelling units.

Article 21. Voted as amended to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 to be administered by the Conservation Commission with concurrence of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of acquiring land at their discretion to protect our natural resources and to provide open space in accordance with N.H. RSA 36-A.

Article 22. (by petition) Voted to authorize the Conservation Commission to retain the unexpended portion of its 1979 appropriation said funds to be placed in a special conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A:5.

Article 23. (by petition) Withdrawn (disposing of real property)

Article 24. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell lot 6-65 acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 25. Voted not to authorize the Selectmen to sell lot #8-38 acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 26. Voted not to authorize the Selectmen to sell lot #5-651 acquired by tax collectors deed.

Article 27. Voted not to approve sale by public bidding of land acquired and held by the Town of Amherst as result of tax sales.

Article 28. Voted to suggest to the Planning Board that the following be incorporated into the master plan of the Town of Amherst and be established as a basic guide line for future efforts with respect to said master plan;

A. To establish and maintain a balance between (1) the pressures for accomodating future population growth in town and (2) the town's desire for preserving Amherst's present rural character: recognizing that the most effective method of preserving Amherst's rural character is to permanently protect significant areas of the town as undeveloped Open Space.

B. To maintain the present ratio in Amherst between (1) land that has been developed and (2) land that has been permanently protected as open space.

Moderator Wight thanked the Audio Visual class of Milford Area High School for setting up and caring for the closed circuit TV and microphones.

Selectman Edward Masten paid tribute to retiring Selectwoman Ann D. Snow and presented her with an engraved silver tray.

Articles 5, 7, 8 and 9 were voted on March 20th with the meeting recessed at 11:35 PM till March 21st at 8:00 PM.

Articles 6 thru 28 were voted on March 21st and adjourned at 1:00 AM March 22nd.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice G. Boothroyd, Town Clerk  
March 23, 1979

Synopsis of Special Town Meeting  
September 22, 1979

RE: Flood Plain Conservation District

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM. Approximately 28 citizens were present for the meeting. Supervisors of the checklist, also Selectmen Thomas Grella, Peter Wells and Edward Masten were in attendance during the day.

Moderator Wight read the warrant, in part, as posted.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance by modifying the zoning map with respect to the boundary of the Flood Plain Conservation District.

A discussion was held. Robert Crouter, as a member of the Planning Board, explained at length the meaning of the Flood Plain Question.

Discussion ended and the polls were opened at 9:15 AM and closed at 5:00 PM.

Outcome of the voting was:

Question: Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 1 by adopting the new Flood Plain definition.

YES - 72      NO - 15 for a total of 87 ballots cast.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice G. Boothroyd, Town Clerk  
September 24, 1979

Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

Date and Place	Name of Bride and Groom	Name of Officiant
Jan. 20, Brookline	Paul Douglas Scott Cheryl Ann Halverson	Rev. Ross S. Frey
Jan. 27, Amherst	Norman Ellsworth Woods, Jr. Judith A. Hanlon	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Jan. 27, Amherst	Stephen C. Ward Brenda Lyn Simmons	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Feb. 9, Milford	Richard D. Perkins Linda L. Cloutier	Rev. Craig H. Richards
Feb. 18, Amherst	James R. Hendershot, III. Sheila McKeown	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Mar. 9, Amherst	John N. Desclos Kim A. Foisy	John M. Bednar Justice of the Peace
Mar. 17, Amherst	David C. Hanlon Linda C. Woods	Charles B. Sullivan Justice of the Peace
Mar. 18, Milford	David B. Dickstein Judith M. Cote	Edna M. Bianchi Justice of the Peace
Apr. 21, Nashua	Steve N. Brunelle Jane D. Robinson	Joseph L. Clough Justice of the Peace
May 5, Milford	Sean B. Henry Deborah W. Carkin	Rev. Craig H. Richards
May 5, Nashua	David W. Perkins Lynn M. Soucy	Rev. Paul L. Bouchard
May 12, Amherst	Craig Joseph Cassarino Kit Hoppins Moody	Rev. Guy A. Newton, Jr.
May 12, Wolfeboro	Robert A. Raulerson Jane S. Mulvey	Rev. Lawrence Heath
May 12, Amherst	Richard Fyffe Martha Jane Jameson	Rev. Harold J. Harter
May 19, Bedford	Phillip S. Rutledge Hannah M. McCarthy	Rev. John R. Chapman
May 27, Milford	Arthur L. Wharem, Jr. Brenda J. Longval	Rev. Louis A. Soucey
June 2, Milford	Richard H. Maquire Barbara J. Dougher	Rev. Wm. J. Shanahan
June 2, Amherst	Thomas Gordon Pullar Susan Marie Carson	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 2, Amherst	Karl B. Steinbach Pixie J. Broadley	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 9, Milford	Stephen J. Bianchi Cheryle A. Symonds	Rev. Craig Richards
June 10, Amherst	William Edward Baur Helen M. Rosenberg	Rev. Alan Nieuwjaar
June 23, Amherst	Fred L. Smith Claire R. Levesque	Rev. John Torosian, Sr.
June 23, Amherst	John Max McKay Cathy Jo Fraser	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 30, Amherst	Timothy E. Barretto Mary C. Hopkins	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
June 30, Nashua	Peter J. Lemay Lynda A. Lacroix	Rev. Wilfrid Demers
July 7, Amherst	Russell B. Gilman Annette M. Derie	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
July 14, Milford	Craig A. Susalka Sheilah A. Glennon	Rev. Thomas Peters

Date and Place	Name of Bride and Groom	Name of Officiant
July 20, Manchester	William Alan Poirier Cheryl Ann Morton	Pat Brien Justice of the Peace
July 28, Milford	Russell C. Riddle Frances G. Manning	Rev. Daniel Ferry
July 28, Nashua	Leslie L. Miller Wanda J. Caswell	Rev. Thomas Peters
Aug. 4, Pelham	Gary S. Hatfield Deborah J. Boutin	Walter E. Traversy Justice of the Peace
Aug. 4, Windham	David G. Salvas	Rev. Thomas F. Duffy
Aug. 11, Milford	Margaret E. Manning James W. Lajeunesse	Rev. Edward Charest
Aug. 11, Manchester	Gail E. Kaufold Charles C.S. Burns	Rev. Raymond Gagnon
Aug. 12, Amherst	Linda M. Dayon Scott W. McVicker	Rev. Richard Beyer
Aug. 18, Milford	Barbara E. Castle Robert V. McKenney	Rev. Louis A. Soucy
Aug. 25, Milford	Susan E. Lathrop Richard E. Dolan	Rev. Gerald Scribner
Aug. 31, Milford	Brenda E. Vonlderstine Peter D. Johnson	Rev. Louis A. Soucy
Sept. 1, Amherst	Mary E. McEntee John W. Thibault	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
Sept. 9, Henniker	Virginia R. Waterman Gary S. Randlett	Rev. Richard Hudson
Oct. 6, Amherst	Joan M. Currier Ken Ruhenfeld	Virginia M. Chandler Justice of the Peace
Oct. 13, New Ipswich	Jane L. Weimar Gregory Richmond	Virginia M. Chandler Justice of the Peace
Oct. 20, Amherst	Bonnie Chatterton Richard R. Cardinal	Francis X. Queen Justice of the Peace
Nov. 10, Milford	Gertrude L. West Paul Brian Conti	Rev. Louis A. Soucy
Nov. 11, Milford	Karen Ann Blakely Steven J. Weiser	Rev. Louis A. Soucy
Nov. 24, Milford	Debra A. Gautier Stephen P. Hansen	Rev. Craig Richards
Nov. 30, Amherst	Christine Swartzlander Gary A. LaForest	Virginia M. Chandler Justice of the Peace
Dec. 8, Amherst	Judith E. Silvia Randy M. Smith	Virginia M. Chandler Justice of the Peace
Dec. 15, Amherst	Melanie A. Carr Mark D. True	Rev. Craig D. Richards
Dec. 29, Amherst	Cynthia M. Ziegler James S. Burrow	Rev. David L. White
Dec. 7, Amherst	Susan D. Currie Peter C. Face	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson
	Debra A. Maurice	

Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

<u>Date and Place</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>
Jan. 6, Nashua	Matthew Arnold Pushee	David M. Pushee	Joan C. Chadwick
Jan. 13, Nashua	Sharon Elizabeth Kelly	Patrick J. Kelly	Nancy L. Pedersen
Jan. 30, Nashua	Chad Michael Devine	James Devine	Linda E. Lorden
Jan. 31, Nashua	Marissa Theresa Menegoni	Francis J. Menegoni	Cynthia G. Maverick
Feb. 10, Manchester	Jessica Jamie Skinner	James M. Skinner	Barbara N. Marko
Feb. 11, Nashua	Shane Ira Barnes	Gary L. Barnes	Sandra J. Kearns
Feb. 25, Nashua	Brian Richard Twiss	Leonard A. Twiss	Camille A. Piper
Feb. 25, Nashua	Angela Nicole Dillon	Michael C. Dillon	Nancy A. Bridle
Mar. 11, Nashua	Julie Marie Aborn	Glenn C. Aborn	Arlene V. West
Mar. 12, Manchester	Meghan Kate Hunter	Donald C. Hunter	Kathleen M. McCarthy
Mar. 25, Nashua	Nicholas Ian Kovalin	Nicholas Kovalin	Glenda L. Morgan
Mar. 25, Nashua	Chloe Marie Holmes	Joseph L. Holmes	Eileen C. Boscom
Apr. 8, Manchester	Dennis Claudio Tacci	Sergio Tacci	Enrica Stellini
Apr. 14, Nashua	Erin Lee Boucher	Stephen G. Boucher	Arda L. Coyle
Apr. 18, Nashua	Michah Taube Webster	John S. Webster	Ellen D. Taube
Apr. 23, Nashua	Janet Lee Bedell	Paul S. Bedell	Sharon L. Nichols
Apr. 25, Nashua	Shelby Elise Curran	Michael A. Curran	Deborah C. Macbeth
May 3, Nashua	Joshua Adam Delisle	Stephen A. Delisle	Wendy J. Weinstein
May 6, Nashua	Bridget Mary Leddy	John E. Leddy	Helen N. Cotter
May 10, Nashua	Melanie Ryan Levesque	David R. Levesque	Diana L. Carlton
May 18, Nashua	Patrick John Powers	John C. Powers	Barbara A. Kandi
May 29, Nashua	Michael Thomas Theret	Terry P. Theret	Colleen C. Cannon
June 4, Nashua	Shawn Carl Griffiths	Carl E. Griffiths	Debra A. Levesque
June 7, Nashua	Jeremy Warren Hall	Scott A. Hall	Linette A. Seigars
June 8, Nashua	Elizabeth Victoria Solz	Richard E. Solz, Jr.	Mary Alice Williams
June 22, Manchester	Benjamin James Wilson Sullivan	James L. Sullivan	Heidi A. Hafeli
June 25, Nashua	Leaf Matthew Iversen	Ronald N. Iversen	Candice F. Nicholls
June 27, Nashua	Kevin Bruce Sharp	Carl Sharp	Kim Jackson
June 27, Nashua	Alexis Prescott Baker	William A. Baker	Cynthia J. Prescott
July 5, Concord	Joshua Colby Gilmore	Jeremy F. Gilmore	Susan Tillotson
July 9, Manchester	Jessica Leigh Frades	Steven D. Frades	Claudia J. Campman
July 11, Nashua	Christopher Aubrey Langille	William A. Langille	Kyle M. Landry
July 11, Nashua	Sean William Schroeder	Robert W. Schroeder	Carol J. Cwik
July 17, Nashua	Julie Nicole LaRoche	Robert P. LaRoche	Marie A. Cote

<u>Date and Place</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>
July 20, Nashua	Sarah Lee Frizzell	Dale A. Frizzell	Marilyn D. Theriault
July 24, Nashua	Michael David Palmer	Howard L. Palmer	Sarah Johnson
July 30, Nashua	Jamie Lee Griffin	Joseph R. Griffin	Jennifer A. Carlson
Aug. 15, Nashua	Jennifer Marie Buonamano	Arthur J. Buonamano	Carol A. Ward
Aug. 16, Nashua	Joshua Michael Keegan	W. Michael Keegan	Brenda L. Bowen
Aug. 21, Nashua	Ariane Clementine Eagan	John J. Eagan, Jr.	Pamela J. Rigoglioso
Aug. 27, Nashua	Meghan Ellen Maguire	Joseph P. Maguire	Alexis K. MacKenzie
Aug. 29, Nashua	Kristen Marie Getchell	Robert C. Getchell	Janice C. Ruggiero
Aug. 30, Nashua	Alison McFadden Meirovitz	Mack J. Meirovitz	Rachel L. Cameron
Aug. 30, Nashua	Shaun Abrahm Rader	Keith A. Rader	Elizabeth A. Vanasse
Sept. 4, Peterborough	Michael Vincent Martina	Vincent C. Martina	Barbara A. Means
Sept. 7, Nashua	Kara Michelle Watt	Douglas J. Watt	Margaret I. Gilson
Sept. 19, Nashua	Jonathan Sterling Hardwick	Peter D. Hardwick	Carolyn A. Lopes
Sept. 20, Nashua	Danielle Marie Dickstein	David B. Dickstein	Judith M. Cote
Sept. 22, Manchester	Carolyn Cushing Szum	Richard F. Szum	Eleanor MacHale
Oct. 1, Nashua	Gayle Singleton Willis	James O. Willis, Jr.	Ann B. McCullough
Oct. 2, Manchester	Shannon Marie Stritch	John T. Stritch	Susan M. Dekema
Oct. 2, Nashua	Matthew Paul Sullivan	Paul L. Sullivan	Dorothy M. O'Connell
Oct. 4, Nashua	Rebecca Miriam Gates	Hesslar P. Gates	Rosemary J. Bowie
Oct. 11, Nashua	Blake Ann Miller	Francis P. Miller	Zilpha Maria Miller
Oct. 15, Nashua	Elizabeth Anne Lenaghan	Michael J. Lenaghan	Susan J. Knutson
Oct. 18, Lowell, Mass.	Timothy Paul O'Keefe	Robert T. O'Keefe	Judith Anderson
Oct. 19, Nashua	Nissa Jeane Holmberg	Allan J. Holmberg	Joanne L. Beahm
Oct. 23, Nashua	Mandy Ann Paquette	Gerard A. Paquette	Nancy A. Chapman
Nov. 1, Nashua	Jaime Thomas Stamatson	Thomas C. Stamatson	Ingrid E. Stanislawsky
Nov. 6, Nashua	Courtney Dorothy Sullivan	Thomas V. Sullivan	Cynthia A. Gallagher
Nov. 12, Nashua	Kara Miriam Laing	Charles V. Laing	Candice L. Angwin
Nov. 13, Nashua	Alexandria Kay Roy	Robert E. Roy	Sandra K. Hogan
Nov. 15, Nashua	Jaclyn Suzanne Haley	William D. Haley	Suzanne C. Michel
Nov. 22, Manchester	Nathan Edward Townsend	Vernon L. Townsend	Nancy E. Coats
Nov. 30, Nashua	Lydia Stephanie Smith	Charles E. Smith	Carolyn S.A. Tolpo
Dec. 8, Nashua	Natalie Seibel	Richard M. Seibel III	Charlene Adams
Dec. 16, Nashua	Williams Evans Biddulph	Romney B. Biddulph, Sr.	Betty J. Culver
Dec. 24, Nashua	Sara Louise Zanjani	Jalal A. Zanjani	Michele A. Helmich

Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N.H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1979

<u>Date and Place</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>
Jan. 14, Nashua	James W. McQuirk	73	Michael McQuirk	Margaret Dugan
Jan. 19, Amherst	Mark Losocco	7	William Losocco	Ursula Weisser
Jan. 29, Nashua	John P. Young	60	Daniel A. Young	Alice Olwell
Feb. 8, Peterborough	Merinda Pope	86	Leonard Mosher	Amy Hanes
Feb. 21, Amherst	Denise T. Yakovakis	38	David O. Anctil	Jeanne Berube
Feb. 24, Milford	Harold Hoffer	86	Louis Hoffer	Dorothea S. Meyer
Feb. 28, Milford	Ralph T. Haskell	64	John M. Haskell	Eleanor Turner
Mar. 2, Nashua	Lillian A. Allen	90	Emil Frykstrand	Augusta Rosendahl
Mar. 8, Nashua	Alpheage A. Cote	71	Arthur Cote	Julianna Tremblay
Mar. 19, Nashua	Susan Shanahan	84	Malcom Bowne	Ellen Connel
Mar. 19, Nashua	Richard W. Halverson	59	Richard W. Halverson	Margaret Glynn
Mar. 20, Milford	George W. Schaefer	86	George Schaefer	Margaret Bahr
Apr. 8, Nashua	William L. McGeough	67	William J. McGeough	Agnes Linton
May 29, Amherst	Frank F. Newth	83	Charles Newth	Mary Brackett
June 23, Milford	Summer F. Merrill	90	William F. Merrill	Charlotte Marston
June 23, Milford	Catherine A. Kruger	83	Henry Bose	Anna U/K
Aug. 2, Nashua	Yvonne Hall	82	Zotique H. Caron	Selina Laplant
Aug. 3, Nashua	Helen E. Converse	92	Robert Converse	Mary Noyes Converse
Aug. 9, Manchester	Elise B. Moser	91	Frederick Moser	Barbara Theus
Aug. 26, Milford	Jeffrey D. Raymond	30	Dennis Raymond	Barbara Lockwood
Aug. 31, Milford	Yvette Gray	83	Jelesphone LaPointe	Marie L. Desmarais
Oct. 6, Amherst	Apollonia Miksha	87	Vincent Costello	Antonina U/K
Oct. 8, Milford	Robert E. Merrill, Jr.	31	Robert E. Merrill, Sr.	Nancy Harrington
Nov. 13, Nashua	Alfred H. Townes	83	Henry Townes	Rolenda Collins

Brought From Away and Buried in Amherst, N.H.

<u>Date and Place</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Name of Cemetery</u>
Dec. 26, 1978	Esther J. Zahn	77	Meadowview
Jan. 10, Plymouth, Ma.	Evelyn Thaunette	70	St. Patricks
Feb. 5, Nashua	Nelida Gros Louis	94	St. Patricks
Mar. 11, Nashua	Ethel M. Nelson	84	Meadowview
Mar. 18, St. Petersburg, Fa.	Fa. Theodore M. Blood		Meadowview
June 13, Norton, Ma.	Lillian M. Jacobson	81	Meadowview
June 13, Nashua	Leona M. Adams	81	Meadowview
June 16, Nashua	Lena L. Lonergan	92	Meadowview
July 18, Mont Vernon	Mildred G. Coggins	74	Cricket Corner Cem.
July 21, Marlboro, Ma.	Rufus Brown	85	Meadowview
Aug. 1, Quincy, Ma.	Rudolph M. Dube	71	St. Patricks
Aug. 13, Goffstown	Charles Antle	78	St. Patricks
Sept. 21, Nashua	Mary M. Antle	74	St. Patricks
Oct. 25, Orlando, Fa.	Etta L. Russell Lynch		Meadowview
Nov. 8, Willingboro, NJ	Edward Wilson	70	Meadowview
Dec. 11, Nashua	Richard S. Grant	40	Meadowview
Dec. 19, Waltham, Ma.	Marie B. Sherman	94	Meadowview

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge.

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk  
December 31, 1979

#### IN MEMORIAM

Man strives for glory, honor and fame that all the world may know his name. When he nears the end he finds that happiness depends but on the love of friends.

Catherine A. Kruger, who served as Clerk and Treasurer of the School District, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Clerk and Treasurer of Amherst Village District and Secretary of War Memorial Book Committee.

Rufus Brown, who served as Selectman, Zoning Administrator, on Amherst Village District Commission and School Building Commission.

Ralph T. Haskell, who served on the Souhegan Regional Landfill Commission and the Fourth of July Committee.

Sumner Merrill, who served as Selectman.

Guy Nelson, who served as Town Road Agent, Fireman and on the Road Commission.





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## OFFICE HOURS of TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

Town Hall: Tuesday Evenings, 7:30 p.m.

### Selectmen's Secretary

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Town Clerk

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Tax Collector

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Zoning Administrative Official

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon  
Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00

### Library

Main St.: Mon. & Tues.	1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wed. & Thurs.	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Children's Library closes at 8:00 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

### General Information

Town Office Telephones 673-6041 and 673-6048

Town Clerk - Tax Collector

Selectmen - Recreation Director

Zoning Administrator

Fire Chief 673-2934

Road Agent 673-1293

Highway Department 673-2317

Police Department 673-4900

Civil Preparedness - Roy Maston 673-4803

Library 673-2288

### Souhegan Regional Landfill - Rte. 101

#### Dump Sticker Required

Open Tuesday, Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For Police or any Emergency 673-1414

To Report a Fire 673-3131